

Annual Report for Year Ending 31st December 2016



St Paul's, Yelverton

St Peter's, Meavy

St Leonard's, Sheepstor

St Mary the Virgin, Walkhampton

United Church, Princetown

St John the Baptist, Horrabridge

St Mary's, Sampford Spiney

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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: Mr Tony Smith

St John's Horrabridge

TSB
West Street, Tavistock

Examiner: J Waites A.C.A.

St Leonard's Sheepstor

Alliance & Leicester Commercial Bank,
Bootle.

Examiner: Mr Simon Moir

St Mary the Virgin Walkhampton

Barclays Bank,
Bedford Square, Tavistock

Examiner: Mrs R Waldron

St Mary's Sampford Spiney

CAF Bank, 25 Kings Hill Ave,
Kings Hill, West Malling ME19

Examiner: Phillipa Walton

The Purpose of Each Parochial Church Council in the Mission Community.

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 2016.

The Rector's Report

Bishop Robert has called the Diocese to pray, make disciples, and serve the people of Devon with joy. These are the 3 areas where we are being asked to concentrate our efforts and we are driven back to the core of our *raison d'être* as a church, as a Mission Community and followers of Jesus Christ. We are dovetailing in our aims and objectives to align with the leadership our Bishop is offering us. Having put behind us structural change, we are now even more focussed on mission – telling the good news of Jesus Christ – in ways which we hope will chime with those with whom we live and work. That work started afresh in 2016 and will continue into 2017.

Structural matters

It seemed like anti-climax when we finally achieved the status of a single united benefice in June 2016. There was no fanfare, no fireworks or other celebrations but we are now the Benefice of Meavy, Sheepstor, Yelverton, Walkhampton, Sampford Spiney and Horrabridge. 8 years of hard work by so many was reduced to a piece of paper covering no more than four sides of A4. But it is not the paperwork that is important but the principles that lay behind what has been achieved. I am convinced that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts and that our journey will continue, as over the next few years we may consider becoming a single parish as well as a single benefice – but such talk is very much on hold as we take a breather for a while.

Signs of the kingdom

Thank you to everyone who is involved in the faithful weekly delivery of services across the Mission Community in each of the parishes both lay and ordained. Our worship is essential to who we are as Christian people and so we join with our Bishop in renewing our Prayer Life.

In the run-up to Pentecost we spent a week engaging in prayer in a multitude of different ways, a process we intend to repeat in 2017. A small prayer meeting has started at St John's which is intentional in its prayer focus. This will be transformed in 2017 into an informal prayer and praise mid-week service. Our 3 home groups are also prayerful opportunities as we seek to nurture each other in our discipleship.

Thank you to all who work tirelessly, and largely unseen, getting our services ready: the wardens, sides-people, flower arrangers and cleaners. Thanks are also due to those who play organs and other ways of making music, who keep our service pattern going through their tireless efforts and to all those who dedicate themselves to serving in Worship Teams and the [Nosh@9.30](#) Team, without whom our churches would not enjoy weekly Sunday worship.

Thank you to our bellringers who are so flexible in responding to requests to ring at weddings and other services. I am very grateful to them for the added dimension they bring to our services.

[Nosh@9.30](#) attracts families with young children. It continues to be popular and we look to build on the friendships we are making to nurture those who regularly attend this service.

The Choir goes from strength to strength. A request to find a new setting for Evensong led to a local composer Andrew Wilson writing a new setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis for our choir. After considerable practice the choir worshipfully delivered this music within the setting of a special evensong, attended by the composer. I would like to thank Pauline Hamilton-Leggett for her enthusiasm and drive in leading the choir and for all members who give so enthusiastically of their time and talents. Our services over the Christmas period were wonderfully enhanced by the skill of our choir.

Our monthly mid-week evening service continues to be a very popular with 25+ people meeting for worship and then sharing a meal afterwards. It is a great way to get to know each other better and supports the local businesses! 2017 will see the introduction of a new informal evening service (starting February) in addition to our existing mid-week service, which we hope will complement our more formal service pattern offering a time of worship and prayer.

Our links with the Kenyan Diocese of Thika and the parish of Kaira were strengthened by the visit of 3 Kenyan Guests to the Mission Community in July: Grace & Peterson Karanja and Henry Kung'u. There were immense difficulties in obtaining Visas for some of our guests and I was grateful to our local MP Geoffrey Cox and his office for their intervention which saved the day! Our guests enjoyed a very full week of activities and I am very grateful to those who played a full part in welcoming and receiving our guests. It was a real blessing to all of us and gave us plenty to think about in terms of our shared life in Christ as well as the many cultural differences we all experienced.

We have continued to laugh together as we share supper evenings in St Paul's Church Hall and enjoyed the amazing catering skills of Sheila Stacey aided and abetted by David Stratford. These evenings sell out with alarming speed as tickets are snapped up – even I had to beg for one on one occasion this year!

Our schools still devour a large chunk of ministerial time with Gary & I offering between us an Act of Collective Worship in each of our Church Schools (Meavy & Walkhampton) every week and monthly in our 2 County Schools (Princetown and Horrabridge). It was a joy to see an "Open the Book" team take shape in 2016 as they have could shoulder some of the work in schools. This small team led by Ros Knight delivers Bible Stories in dramatic form to our 2 church schools. The children think they are wonderful and they thoroughly enjoy the Acts of Collective Worship.

Congratulations to Meavy School who were judged good following a SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) which looks at the provision of RE and the ethos of the school. Well done to the staff who worked so hard to achieve this.

The biggest structural change for our church schools in 2016 was joining St Christopher's Multi-Academy Trust (MAT). This MAT is the Diocesan sponsored framework which offers shelter and protection to Church Schools in an environment in which the role of Local Authorities is being phased out and replaced by more commercial looking operations. Regardless of how we might feel about the continuing upheaval in our education system the Governors must take credit for being able to steer the schools into the MAT to preserve our Christian distinctiveness and offer a wider pool of expertise for the benefit of all our children. It has been a bumpy ride and has taken a huge amount of my time but I am hopeful that things will settle down in 2017.

Having made waves about the process of joining the MAT, I was asked to join a sub-committee of the Board of Education: The Structural Organization and Governance Group – known as "SOGG". This group meets monthly in Exeter to consider applications from schools to join or set up MATs as well as looking at the wider issues affecting school governance across the whole Diocese.

The ministerial team has also been extremely busy in 2016 with occasional offices (baptisms, weddings and funerals). The Team conducted 58 Funerals either in Church and/or at Crematoria; 10 Weddings; numerous baptisms and other small pastoral services such as interment of ashes. I am extremely grateful to everyone in the Ministerial Team for their dedication and hard work often 'above and beyond' what is reasonable to expect of anyone, particularly those who give so generously in their retirement.

I am very grateful to Hilary Prout for her tireless work producing the weekly pew bulletin and for the team who print it (Ruth Gozzard) and distribute it. It is a very valuable part of our communications across the Mission Community. Our website continues to attract a great of traffic as does our Social Media presence and I am grateful to Peter Hamilton-Leggett for his work in keeping it up to date.

As a Mission Community, we took part in the Deanery visit of Bishop Robert in June, the first such Deanery visit by the Bishop who is spending some months with the other Bishops touring the Diocese. It had the look and feel of being a trial run and there were mixed feelings about the weekend in terms of support and not knowing what the outcomes were meant to be. However, we played a full part and hosted a meeting at St Paul's Church Hall in which a group could illustrate to Bishop Robert what we are up to in this part of the Diocese.

Comings and Goings

It seems like a long time ago now, but Revd Patrick Parkes left us at the beginning of 2016 to take up his post as priest in charge of Wolborough with Ogwell and most of 2016 has seen the ministerial team a little short-handed. I have been very grateful to visiting clergy who have helped us, particularly Revd Dawn Oakley, who usually ministers in Bere Alston, but who has stepped in on a number of occasions in 2016.

We look forward to welcoming Revd Diane Caine who has been appointed as an Associate Priest and will be licensed on 16 January 2017. Di and her husband Nigel join us from Dawlish where Di has served her curacy (and run an interregnum).

Also joining the team is Mrs Jane Sanham. Jane & Nick live in Yelverton and Jane has been a Reader for many years, latterly ministering at St Jude's Plymouth, and we are delighted that she will be joining us to add further diversity to the ministerial team.

We have said goodbye to some very significant people who have died in 2016: Dorothy Eggins, a longstanding supporter of the congregation at St Mary's, Walkhampton; Marion Bennett, a dedicated member at St Leonard's, Sheepstor; Brian Ashley a faithful member of St Paul's, Yelverton, and Jane Waterhouse who, for many years, was a faithful and active member at St Peter's, Meavy. Inevitably, in naming names I run the risk of leaving someone out and so I apologise if this is the case. Everyone who dies is a unique person whom we mourn and who we commit to the mercy and protection of God, our maker and redeemer. Our "Lighten our Darkness" Service, which takes place around All Souls tide, is proving to be an appropriate way for many in our community to give thanks for their loved ones who have died. We try to invite friends and relatives of all for whom we have conducted funerals in the last 12 months, whose names we read at the service, as well as those who have in previous years.

Forwards and onwards

...And to all of you in our Mission Community, thank you for your support and encouragement.

Finally, I must thank my wife Corinne for her unstinting support and for the huge amount of work she does across the Mission Community.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
Revd Preb Nick Shutt
Rector

Safeguarding Report for the Mission Community - 2016

Following a change in Safeguarding Officer for the MC in September of this year, a full review has taken place of the files held in relation to references and DBS certificates held. This has highlighted the fact that a number of DBS checks are required to be undertaken and it is intended that over the course of the first quarter of 2017, all members requiring a DBS, will undergo the necessary checks.

Debbie Delaney

Benefice Choir Annual Report 2016

The choir met eighty times during the year, for rehearsals and services in the Mission Community. The choir sang at two weddings - in January in St Paul's and in June in St Leonard's Sheepstor. In April, travelling by coach with family and friends in the Community, the choir led the singing in St Paul's Newton Abbot for the service of licensing of Rev Patrick Parkes.

The choir lead the singing for MC services on Sundays and during the week. Anthems were sung at the more unusual Animal service at Sampford Spiney and 'Come & Sing' at Sheepstor.

In July the choir gave the first performance of the setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis opus 202 by the local composer Andrew Wilson in St Paul's church. The Mission Community commissioned this work and Andrew conducted the choir for the final rehearsal when we presented him with six bottles of wine, and with his wife he attended Evensong. Also at this service the choir sang two of Nick's hymns, one set to music by his son Chris. The visitors from Thika were part of the large congregation.

Andrew also set one of Nick's Christmas carols to music for the choir, very convincingly, which was challenging musically with the many key changes and harmonies. The choir sang this carol at our two Mission Community carol services in December along with two other carols written by Nick, set to music by David Crocker and Pauline Hamilton-Leggett.

Exeter Cathedral Choir, men and boys, sang Evensong at St Paul's in November when our choir provided a feast of food and drink for them after rehearsal and refreshments for the congregation after the beautifully sung evensong in St Paul's.

Christmas is always a busy time; members enjoyed carol singing at Walkhampton market and in the Rock Inn, raising money for sick disabled children in Bethlehem. Rehearsals in members' homes and Community church services brought the busy year to a close.

Pauline Hamilton-Leggett

The Tavistock Deanery Synod Report 2016

The Deanery Synod has had three meetings in February, June and October.

In February we had an interesting talk about Thika from Brian and Jane Inwood. Jane is secretary for the Thika Link in Kenya. They had received an outstanding welcome on the visit in 2015 from the Exeter Diocese. Churches are the centre of community life and people give sacrificially for them. The Tear Fund Church and Community Project known as `Umoja` had made a great impact. `Umoja` means `together`. A dynamic way of enabling people to work together with their community to break out from hopelessness. Small scale projects - animal husbandry - improving farming - water conservation and re-use for growing vegetables - micro finance - cooking on bio-gas.

In June the Synod welcomed Revd. Andrew Godsall, the Mission Community Development Officer for the Diocese. He gave a wide-ranging presentation on `Developing Churches Naturally`. He asked first `What is The Mission Community for?` Church only exists for two reasons. 1. So that people can come to know God through Jesus Christ and 2. So that people can come to know each other.

The October meeting had no speaker. Instead there was a discussion, firstly in small groups and then all together, in how the Deanery was working towards Bishop Robert's vision of `Growing in Prayer, Making new Disciples and Serving the People of Devon with Joy`. Ideas from different parishes were put forward.

The Deanery had welcomed Bishop Robert on his visit in June. The Bishop had been involved with many events in his three day visit and this had included an evening in St. Paul's, Yelverton where members of several Mission Communities and Churches in the Deanery had come together to talk about their activities.

Reports from the General Synod and Diocesan Synod are included in the Agendas and also practical and administrative information - often in `The Rural Dean's Business`.

Synod meetings are an opportunity for members of the different churches to meet, for fellowship and for an interchange of ideas.

Annie Inman.

Midweek Services

Our monthly Thursday Evening Services continue offer a gentle midweek worship opportunity which is delivered by the ministerial team who each produce a bespoke service. It has been good to meet across the Mission Community to worship together and then after the service to go on to share a meal together at one of our Inns found across the Mission Community. The opportunity to chat, laugh and generally have fun together has been invaluable as we seek to share our common life in Christ.

In 2017 we hope to start an additional midweek evening service – a different style – it being a prayer and praise service in a more contemporary style.

Nick

Men's Breakfast

We are blessed with 2 men's breakfasts in the Mission Community! The meeting at Dousland takes place at the Burrator Inn every month (except August and December) at 8.30am on a Saturday morning towards the end of each month and lasts an hour. The group of men (normally about 15) share a full English Breakfast followed by a brief talk from someone who talks about their faith. It has proved to be a popular format and offers and opportunity for men to meet together. The breakfast at Horrabridge takes place in St John's and again offers a full English Breakfast followed by a talk either on faith or something of community interest. All are welcome to these breakfasts.

Please look out for details in the weekly bulletin and do join us.

Nick

St Paul's Supper Evenings

It is clear that members of the Mission Community, as well as people from further afield, still enjoy the social evenings organised at St Pauls by Sheila Stacey and David Stratford. 2 events were run this year an Italian Evening and a Traditional English meal with Carols by Candlelight. Both events attracted more than 70 people and whilst not primarily aimed at being fund raising events, thanks to the generosity of those attending, significant sums were donated to the Thika Appeal And MC Funds.

Plans are already in hand for further events in 2017!

West Dartmoor Mission Community									
Receipts and Payment accounts for the year to 31st December 2016									
Receipts									
		2014		2015				2016	
		Actual		Budget		Actual		Budget	
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish Payments									
	Meavy	1,386		1,344		1,344		1,349	
	Yelverton	1,163		1,193		1,193		1,306	
	Horrabridge	1,024		1,001		1,001		940	
	Walkhampton	727		762		762		705	
	Sampford Spiney	500		500		500		500	
	Sheepstor	500		500		500		500	
	Princetown	200	5,500	200	5,500	200	5,500	200	5,500
	Balance b/f								
Planned Giving									
	Bank Standing Order	2,680				2,380			
	Tax Recovery	495				1,244			
	PGS Giving					2,375			
	PGS Tax Recovery		3,175		4,180	594	6,593		6,250
Service Collections									
	NOSH		1,348		900	990	990		900
Special Events									
	Suppers		660		400	594	594		400
Music									
	Choral donations		465		400	150	150		300
Fees Account									
	Travel Fees	0			900	1,452			
	Misc. Fees	445				750			
	Easy Fund Raising	72	517		50	105	2,307		950
Donations		830	830		200	88	88		50
Youth Project funding									
	Lent Projects	1,751			1,750	738			
	Harvest share	836	2,587			0	738		
Thika Collection						132	132		
Harvest Collection						1,842	1,842		
Total									
			15,082		14,280		18,934		14,350
Payments									
Clergy Expenses									
Church Office			3,966		5,250	4,624	4,624		5,400
	Secretarial					1,500			
	Other Costs	1,311	1,311		250	476	1,976		2,500
Courses									
	Reflective Practice	315			480	405			450
	Clergy	236			100	137			
	Readers	369			400	810			
	Pilgrim Course	0	920		0	0	1,352		650
Printing			711		750	582	582		750
Services									
	NOSH		429		800	587	587		800
Music			414		400	258	258		300
Books			312		500	788	788		1,000
Mission									
	Youth Project	5,090			5,500	800			0
	Farm Africa	0	5,090			1,842	2,642		
Miscellaneous									
	Website		137		200	526			500
	Other		196		250	808	1,334		1,300
Total									
			13,486		14,880		14,143		13,650
Surplus of Receipts over Payments									
		0	1,596	0	-600		4,791		700
Diocesan Grant b/f from 2012			500						
Balance brought forward from prior year			1,840				3,936		
Balance Carried forward to following year									
			3,936				8,727		

West Dartmoor Mission Community							
Receipts and Payment accounts for the year to 31st December 2016							
				2015		2016	
Receipts							
				£	£	£	£
Parish Payments							
	Meavy			1,344		1,349	
	Yelverton			1,193		1,306	
	Horrabridge			1,001		940	
	Walkhampton			762		705	
	Sampford Spiney			500		500	
	Sheepstor			500		500	
	Princetown			200	5,500	200	5,500
Planned Giving							
	Bank Standing Order			2,380		80	
	PGS Giving			2,375		3,243	
	PGS Tax Recovery			594		811	
	Tax Recovery			1,244	6,593	480	4,614
Service Collections							
	NOSH			990	990	912	912
Special Events							
	Suppers			594	594	352	352
Music							
	Choral donations			150	150	150	150
Fees Account							
	Travel Fees			1,452		1,286	
	Misc. Fees			750		288	
	Easy Fund Raising			105	2,307	152	1,726
Donations				88	88	30	30
Mission Projects							
	Lent			738		878	
	Harvest			1,842		1,835	
	Thika			132	2,712	1,638	4,351
Miscellaneous Income						60	60
Total					18,934		17,695
Payments							
Clergy Expenses				4,624	4,624	4,945	4,945
Church Office							
	Secretarial			1,500		1,800	
	Other Costs			476	1,976	333	2,133
Courses							
	Clergy			1,352		825	
	Pilgrim Course			0	1,352	102	927
Printing				582	582	676	676
Services							
	NOSH			587	587	581	581
Music				258	258	304	304
Books and Service Printing				788	788	666	666
Mission							
	Youth Project			800		0	
	Lent			0		888	
	Harvest			1,842		1,835	
	Thika			0	2,642	1,612	4,335
Miscellaneous							
	Upkeep of Services			0		546	
	Website			526		46	
	Appointment Advertising			0		1,506	
				808	1,334	328	2,426
Total					14,143		16,993
Surplus of Receipts over Payments					4,791		702
Balance brought forward from prior year					3,936		8,727
Balance Carried forward to following year					8,727		9,429
Current Assets							
Cash at HSBC Bank					8,727		9,429

Report of the Parish of St Paul's, Yelverton 2016

The PCC has met 5 times during the year. The ingress of water around the redundant chimney stack on the vestry roof continued to cause concern. Lead flashing was incorrectly fitted and causing water ingress into the plasterwork in both vestries. It was rectified and the plasterwork on the 2 offending walls removed and eventually re-plastered and painted. The valuation officer has agreed that the hall need not be rated as a business. The potholes and tarmac edges outside the church had also been improved as has the area immediately between the paths and church building. A new hearing loop had been installed and the loudspeaker system improved.

During the year, Sheila Stacey and her team again provided Cream Teas, which were a great success. The hire of the Church hall goes from strength to strength and the conversion of a parish room at the end of the hall has proved of benefit to the clergy. A joint Harvest Supper with Holy Cross Roman Catholics and Rock Methodists was enjoyable, and the Devon Historic Churches Fund was supported by parishioners. The hall was also the venue for several themed supper evenings for the Mission Community which proved also to be a great success. The PCC decided to have an enhanced cream tea rather than a fete and it proved every bit as popular., and again the Alms and Oblations Committee have made grants totalling £1250 to Missions and Charities, apart from the sums donated from collections taken at Harvest, Christingle and certain other Services. We were sad to see the sudden departure of Patrick Parkes to pastures new in Newton Abbott and await the arrival of Di Caine with happy anticipation. The Rectory behind St Paul's has been let on a commercial basis with the tenants hoping to remain for many years.

The PCC expresses its thanks to Nick Shutt and Gary Shirley and to the other ministers for all their work on behalf of the Parish and Mission Community and whilst the Church manages with one Churchwarden, the congregation need thanking for their many offers of assistance in running the day to day life of St Pauls. We continue to bear safeguarding in mind in all matters.

Fabric Report 2016 The lightning conductor has been inspected by Dawsons. The gutters and down pipes have been cleared, the organ tuned and the boiler serviced. A faculty is underway for the replacement and enhancement of the heating system... The electrical system has been inspected and will be improved as part of the heating work. The goods and chattels have been checked and are substantially in order

Occasional Offices 2016

Marriages 1 Baptisms 6 Funerals 10 ---WDMC crematorium 19

Kathy Howard

29 Jan 17

St Paul's Treasurer's Financial Review

The year 2017 produced another healthy financial surplus of a little over £9,000. This is somewhat overstated, as we received a generous grant from the Bryan Foster Charitable Trust to help meet the costs of our improved heating, but this work has not yet begun. This will, of course, impact our results for 2017 when hopefully the protracted conversations with the Diocesan Advisory Committee will have been concluded and this important work done.

Our participation in the excellent new Parish Giving Scheme has progressed well this year. Most of our Planned Givers have now switched to use this scheme with all its benefits of simplifying giving arrangements and immediate recovery of Gift Aid tax helping our cash flow. It can be seen that over 80% of our Planned Giving receipts came from the PGS this year. We are most grateful to all those who have joined the PGS as well as the rest who we hope will continue to consider the move.

A welcome, but still small, increase in interest income came from the 95 day notice account with Cambridge & Counties Bank reported last year.

We did not hold a Fete this year, but added the range of stalls at one of Sheila Stacey's very popular Cream Teas. These are a regular summer feature which make a valuable link with the community as well as an important financial contribution. An extension of this is the stall at the Walkhampton market where David and John Stratford work with Sheila to extend this presence. The combined proceeds from these two endeavours amounted to £1,861 this year. Excellent in all respects.

Despite not holding a fete, which has previously been our principal source of Mission Giving, we felt able to afford to support Church Missions Society, Shekina Mission and Tavistock Street Pastors to the same extent this year.

A range of important maintenance work was carried out this year. Lead flashing had to be replaced at the foot of the chimney, and the water damage in both vestries has been fully repaired. The edging to the tarmac and filling the huge pothole beside the Church Hall was done well. Work on the hearing loop should make this service much better. These were the major items of expenditure, but the regular maintenance of the gardens continues with the addition this year of working on the previously rather untidy area immediately surrounding the church which is a great improvement.

Use of the Church Hall has increased again this year, with a wide range of users. It proves very popular with dancing and exercise groups, and with the regular cinema programmes as well as birthday parties it becomes frequented by a very wide spread of local residents. Church activities always take precedence and Mission Community suppers are normally held here. A financial surplus of more than £3,000 was achieved even after doing a considerable number of repairs and maintenance as well as fitting a new carpet in the annex.

Work is planned early in the New Year to fire-proof the kitchen to enable more elaborate catering. This will be a popular move and it is good that we will be able to afford this work.

St Paul's Church and Hall, with the Parish Office, continues to thrive as a centre for many of the Mission Community activities, but this work is accounted for separately in the Mission Community accounts.

Financially St Paul's is in good health; we now need to find the key to increasing our parish numbers.

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3rd Jan 2017

ST PAUL'S CHURCH YELVERTON

Receipts and Payments Account for year to 31 December 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary Income				
Envelopes & Bank				
Standing Orders	4,298		12,438	
Parish Giving Scheme	17,568		9,912	
Cash Collections	2,727		2,510	
Other Donations	6,874		1,396	
Legacies	0	31,467	0	26,256
Tax Recoveries				
Income tax recovered	2,523		5,885	
PGS tax recovered	4,324		2,366	
VAT recovered	0	6,857	1,330	9,581
Investment Income				
Dividends & Interest	930	930	387	387
Other Income				
Fees	1,640		2,815	
Summer Fete	0		1,162	
Cream Teas	1,511		811	
Walkhampton Market	350		0	
Miscellaneous	418	3,919	360	5,148
TOTAL RECEIPTS		43,173		41,372
PAYMENTS				
The Ministry				
Mission Community	1,306	1,306	1,193	1,193
The Church & Services				
Heating & Lighting	2,065		1,286	
Fire & Insurance	3,394		3,296	
Cleaning	1,026		981	

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
Upkeep of Services	119		93	
Repairs & Renewals	6,469		455	
Property	0	13,073	0	6,111
Other Ordinary Parish Expenses				
Gardening	1,350		1,240	
Parish Expenses	144	1,494	145	1,385
Payments Outside the Parish				
Diocesan Common Fund	16,454		15,975	
Mission Giving	1,250	17,704	1,250	17,225
Miscellaneous Expenditure	206	206	205	205
TOTAL PAYMENTS		33,783		26,119
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		9,390		15,253
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) to TOWER FUND		0		0
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) to GENERAL RESERVE		9,390		15,253

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH YELVERTON

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2016

ASSETS	Market Value	Cost	
	£	£	£
Investments			
Equities Investment Fund for Charities	61,195	11,592	
CBF Investment Fund Shares	37,970	14,543	26,135
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank		31,530	
Cash in Hand		59	
Deposit Account		8,500	
Fixed term deposit		30,000	
Notice Account		35,547	105,636
Fixed Assets			
St Paul's Church Hall	Nil		Nil
Total Assets			131,771
REPRESENTED BY			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Loan from St Paul's Church Hall		15,000	15,000
GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT			
Balance at 1 January		105,622	
Surplus/(Deficit) after movements within designated accounts		9,390	
Balance at 31 December			115,012
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			131,771

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH HALL YELVERTON

Receipts and Payments Account for year

to 31 December 2016

	2016	2015
INCOME	£	£
Lettings	7,586	6,582
Electricity Meters	964	813
TOTAL RECEIPTS	8,550	7,395
EXPENDITURE		
Heating & Lighting	490	658
Repairs & Renewals	2,065	5,062
Insurance	1,516	1,611
Cleaning	1,094	1,065
Miscellaneous	87	4
TOTAL PAYMENTS	5,252	7,084
SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	3,298	311

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st
DECEMBER 2016**

	2016	2015
	£	£
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Loan to St Paul's Church	15,000	15,000
Cash at Bank	5,472	2,107
Cash in Hand	66	133
Total Assets	20,538	17,240

REPRESENTED BY:

Accumulation of Funds

Balance at 1 January	17,240	16,929
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	3,298	311
Total Balance Sheet Value	20,538	17,240

ST.PAUL'S CHURCH YELVERTON

Notes to Financial Statements for year ended 31 December 2016

- 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 £51,723 and £39,035 respectively.
- 5 The combined total of balance sheet reserves at 31st December 2016 for the Church and the Church Hall amounted to £137,309.
- 6 Moveable church furnishings held by the church wardens 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 23rd January 2017

PCC Chairman

Mrs Kathy Howard

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
9th February 2017

St Peter's, Meavy PCC Annual Report 2016

Members of PCC at end of 2016

Mrs S. Gordon Churchwarden and Lay Vice Chair, MC Council representative; Acting Secretary.(until Nov 2016)

Mrs A. Inman Churchwarden and Deanery Synod Representative

Revd. J.Weir

Mr K.D.Elson Lay Reader retired from PCC March 2016

Mrs N. Smith Deanery Synod representative .

Lay Members

Mr G. Manning Treasurer – Deputy lay vice chairman

Mrs S. Manning Acting secretary from November 2016.

Mrs M. Helby MC Council representative

Mrs P. Shobbrook

Mr D. Elson Assistant Treasurer

Mrs H. Monk

Mr J. Davey

Mrs J. Procter Electoral Roll Officer - Retired from PCC March 2016

Dr. J. Sharp Lay Deputy Vice Chairman – retired from PCC March 2016

We currently have 2 vacancies on the PCC.

Report of the Parish of St Peter's Meavy for 2016

The PCC has held five full meetings and one short meeting during 2016.

The Electoral Roll stands at 59.

During our meetings in 2016 we discussed – the scheme for the joint benefice of Yelverton, Meavy, Sheepstor, Walkhampton, Horrabridge and Sampford Spiney which came into effect on 14th June 2016; the visit by Bishop Robert to the Tavistock Deanery and the visit by the Thika Diocese to the Exeter Diocese.

We discussed our services including special services such as Sea Sunday, Remembrance, Christingle and Carol service and our lay led Family Worship service held once a month and we would welcome more to join the worship team group to help with the planning and organisation of these services. We are very grateful to our clergy team for leading our worship throughout the year.

We held several different fund raising activities during the year, including serving cream teas over a bank holiday weekend, and an open church and churchyard day, we discussed our finances, the payment of our Parish Share, stewardship and the Parish giving scheme and we installed a new, more prominent donations box. We also held a social – non fund raising – pre Christmas coffee morning. The PCC manned the cake and produce stall at Oak Fair.

We discussed the fabric of our church building, repairs outstanding from the Quinquennial in 2012 which included the repair of the West window and the PCC is grateful to the Friends of St Peter's for financing this repair; and repairs and maintenance to the rainwater gutters and downpipes along our south elevation were carried out. Our Victorian clock spring broke and the PCC is grateful to Mrs Fry for paying for the repair to the clock mechanism in memory of Mr John Fry.

A Health and Safety policy for St Peter's has been produced.

Our churchyard was discussed and has been well maintained throughout the year and we are grateful to those who help during the churchyard working parties and Jonathan Davey, Pat and Dave Payne, Jonathan Frappell and others who have helped outside the working parties. Repairs are being considered to the ash shed after clearance of cotoneaster.

Meavy PCC was represented at all 3 Deanery Synod meetings held in 2016.

The PCC would like to thank all those who have helped in so many ways to keep St Peter's the welcoming and friendly church within Meavy village.

The Churchwardens are grateful to all members of our PCC and we would welcome any new member to our council as we have 2 vacancies.

The following Occasional Offices were held in St Peter's in 2016, 3 Baptisms, 3 Weddings and 5 Funerals.

Friends of St Peter's Church Report for Mission Community 2016

The Friends of St Peter's Church Meavy was formed in 2009 to support the PCC in maintaining the fabric and furnishings of St Peter's Church. The aim of the Friends is to promote wide interest in the care and preservation of the Church and its history, and to provide a focus of support for it.

The planned walk around the St Peter's Parish boundary, to be completed in four sections, had to be cancelled due to bad weather. We hope to try this again in 2017.

We supported the Oak Fair committee by again running the bookstall at the Fair in June.

We held our annual walk and cream tea in August and our Annual Meeting was held in September and we are grateful to Peter Hamilton Leggett for showing an excellent film of the church and churchyard.

Michael Parle produced a new Christmas card for 2016 which was sold in church and in the Royal Oak Inn and we are grateful to Steven Earp and the staff for supporting this.

Meavy Amateur Dramatics produced a "Christmas Pudding" a dramatic reading in costume from the Christmas Carol Story. This was well supported and again we thank the Royal Oak Inn for providing the mulled wine.

The Friends committee supported the PCC of St Peter's by making a donation of £4,910 to the PCC for the repairs to the West Window.

The committee are grateful for all support and donations received from individuals and from the Oak Fair committee during the year.

The Friends committee. January 2017.

St Peters Financial Review 2016

After a busy year in 2015 it was decided that 2016 would see the completion of a number of repairs that had been identified on the Quinquennial Report. The two most major were the repairs to the West Window which was financed by the Friends of St Peter. The total cost of this work was £5892. We also went ahead and had work done on the South Aisle and South Transept Elevation gutterings and downpipes. This again amounted to £5040 which we paid for from funds raised last year. One job that we had not been anticipating was a rather major repair to our clock. The Pendulum spring broke and the weight came to rest on the beam below as it should. The result was that a new Pendulum Spring was made and installed at a cost of £897.60. We were going to embark upon a fund raising exercise when a parishioner stepped forward and offered to pay for it. We were very grateful for this kind gesture.

One of our major achievements this year has been to pay our common fund in full, this was a sum of £17003 making this the third year running that we have managed to do this. This is not to say it is getting any easier but we have been concentrating our efforts in this direction. We also have to pay our Parish Share that amounted to £1349 which is paid direct to the Mission Community. In order for the Benefice to continue to provide the level of service expected we feel it is important that we continue to pay in full.

This year was a time of change for some of our parishioners with the introduction of the Parish Giving Scheme. This scheme allows the church to recoup the gift aid on each donation within ten days of it being given. This helps with the cash flow and costs us nothing. It operates by a simple direct debit and once set up is trouble free. We currently have eight people giving in this way and hope that 2017 will see more join.

After holding our annual Seafarers Service we raised £171.00 which we were pleased to donate to the Mission to Seafarers. Our Remembrance Service was blessed with good weather and was well attended, it raised £140.00. This year our Harvest lunch was held differently and a buffet was provided in the church for after the service. It was an experiment and seemed to be well received and enjoyed by all and we raised £200.50 which was split evenly between Five Talents and Time Out, which is the Plymouth Charity helping refugees in the City. During Christmas we dedicated the Midnight Service to the Children's Society and we raised a total of £89.50

Meavy Parochial Church Council
Financial Statement for year ended 31 December 2016

GENERAL FUND Receipts and Payments Account

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Planned Giving				
Gift Aided	6701.70		10,937.20	
Income tax recovered	3720.66		4,430.09	
Not Gift Aided	485.00		855.00	
Parish Giving Scheme	5613.16	16520.52	2,692.50	18914.79
Other Voluntary Income				
Church collections	1980.33		2,281.83	
Donations (See note 2)	6636.53		1,283.00	
Offertory Box	274.73		0.00	
Special Collections (see note 3)	601.00		866.04	
Fundraising (see note 4)	1790.38		2,996.40	
Legacy	1750.00		0.00	
Restricted Funds/Fundraising	1822.00	14854.97	547.50	7974.77
Churchyard Income				
Burial fees and memorials	1668.00		1,502.00	
Burrator Parish Council Grant	0	1668.00	526.00	2,028.00
Miscellaneous Income				
Wedding and other fees	748.00		506.00	
Funeral fees	426.00		488.00	
Investment income	1236.12		1,322.51	
Benefice Fees/Parish Costs	391.00		120.00	
Miscellaneous Sundries	90.00		250.00	
Refunds (VAT/Insurance)	0		0.00	
Services Upkeep	0	2891.12	0.00	2,686.51

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
TOTAL RECEIPTS		35,934.61		35,479.75

	2016		2015	
PAYMENTS	£	£	£	£
The Ministry				
Benefice Expenses	1349.00		1,344.00	
Common Fund	17003.00	18,352.00	19,346.00	20,690.00
Church Building and Services				
Electricity & fuel oil	821.29		1,478.35	
Minor works	1332.84		2,310.70	
Inspections & reports	161.86		568.56	
Insurance	2421.78		2,362.71	
Restricted Funds	0		84.00	
Upkeep of services	51.82		164.69	
Major Works	10932.02	15721.61	0.00	6,969.01
Miscellaneous				
Churchyard maintenance	1029.00		722.00	
Fund raising cost (see note 5)	298.00		109.99	
Parish magazine	31.00		0.00	
Restricted to Project Fund	754.29			
General expenses (see note 6)	709.06		348.50	
Payment to charities (see note 7)	844.15		867.89	
		3665.50		2048.38
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>37,739.11</u>		<u>29,707.39</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		-1,804.50		5,772.36
Bank current & deposit accounts at 1 Jan 2016	8,131.10		6,240.52	
Bank current & deposit accounts at 31 Dec 2016	6,326.60		8,131.10	

***Quinquennial work**

Meavy Parochial Church Council
Financial Statement for year ended 31 December 2016

New Project (Restricted fund) account set up April 2016	Fabric General	Churchyard	TOTAL
	£	£	£
Receipts +	7779.29		7779.29
Payments -	<u>1822.00</u>		<u>1822.00</u>
Bank accounts at 8/04/2016	7000.00	(796.00)	7000.00
Bank accounts at 31/12/2016	5957.29	(796.00)	<u>5957.29</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at 31 December 2016[illegible]

Draft Notes to Financial Statement for year ended 31st December 2016

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		
Window Repair from Friends of St Peters	£4910.00	
Miscellaneous – anonymous donation	£228.53	
Miscellaneous – Clock Repair	£748.00	
Mission Community	£750.00	£6636.53
3. Special Collections (Charities)		
Mission to Seafarers	£171.00	
Children’s Society	£89.50	
Five Talents and Time Out	£200.50	
Royal British Legion	£140.00	
4. Fund raising		£601.00
Coffees	£355.60	
MAD Christmas Fair	£137.26	
Meavy School Fair	£97.50	
Cream Teas	£245.50	
Gift Day and Quiz	£812.00	
Devon Historic Churches Trust	£45.00	
Sale of Tea Towels	£27.00	
Mad Christmas Carol	£15.00	
Coin jar	£55.52	£1790.38
5. Fund raising cost		
Donation to MAD	£14.00	
Hall Meavy School for Cream Teas	£80.00	
Tea Towels	£204.00	£298.00
6. General Expenses		
PCC meeting Meavy school	£40	
CCLI Music licence	£108	

Overpayment to HMRC	£534.85	
Miscellaneous	£19.91	
Travelling expenses Revd Oakley	£6.30	709.06
7. Payments to Charities		
Meavy School Governors	£30.00	
Mission to Seafarers	£171.00	
St Peters Harvest Five Talents (inc G/A tax)	£250.00	
Royal British Legion	£175.00	
Children's Society	£248.15*	£874.15

***Collected in the 2015 year end but paid out in 2016.**

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

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

Hon Treasurer..... February 2016

St Leonard's Church, Sheepstor

Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2016

Administrative Information

St Leonard's Church lies at the centre of the seventeen dispersed houses and farmsteads which make up the village of Sheepstor serving a community of 45 souls. It is part of the Benefice of Yelverton (known as 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 2016 until the time of this report were:

Rector: Rev'd Preb Nick Shutt

Churchwardens: Mrs Caroline Jennings

Mr Richard Bayly - Also Hon Secretary, Sexton, Verger, Sacristan,
Electoral Roll Officer

Members: Mrs Marion Bennett (Lay Vice Chair) until April 2016)
Mr Russell Chapman (Deanery Synod representative)
Miss Pat Legassick (Lay Vice Chair from April 2016)
Mr William Jennings (Treasurer)
Mr Stephen Hopson (Co-opted from June 2016)
Mr Matt Kemp (Invited to attend from September 2016)

Captain of the Bell Tower: Mr Peter Legassick until Summer 2016.

Mrs Heather Chapman from Summer 2016

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 was 19.

We held services on every Sunday apart from Benefice services on 5th Sundays in the Month and in addition occasional mid-week and Festival services. The number of regular worshippers was 9 and the average congregation in October was also 9. However this increased significantly for church festivals and special services.

We again hosted the Mission community's Good Friday walk of pilgrimage, with 54 people holding a short service at St Leonard's and many then carrying the cross to the top of the Tor behind the Church. An increasing number of those attending had started their pilgrimage at Princetown, walking over the moor as an act of Pilgrimage. The PCC offered its traditional hot soup and hot cross buns in St Leonard's room afterwards.

54 people attended the June Festival service of Hymns, Scripture and Poetry which is an increasingly established part of our festival calendar. The Harvest Service again drew a good congregation, 40, and the supper was held in the Church Hall. The event raised nearly £600 which was shared between About Time in Plymouth and Five Talents in Kenya as part of the Mission Communities donation to those charities.

For the Carol Service the Church was again lit almost entirely by candles Rosemary Turner kindly sang solos, the Tree was again donated by South West Lakes Trust. 163 attended and festive refreshment was offered afterwards. Gifts and donations contributed £460 to the building fund.

Occasional Offices

In 2016 there were 2 weddings in the church, 1 Baptism and 1 funeral.

Redevelopment Project and Visitors

During the year the PCC completed the first stage of urgent work recommended in the 2014 Quinquennial. With support from the Listed Places of Worship Roof Grant scheme, several local and national charities and generous local fundraising the PCC raised just over £60,000. Ryearch Builders completed the work to re-roof the tower, fit new rainwater goods to the church and repair the porch roof.

The PCC will now develop subsequent phases of work which will repoint the exterior of the nave, chancel and south aisle, repair gable upstands and develop the inside of the church, notably the Lady Chapel, to provide better facilities for concerts and visitors.

The Church continues to attract significant numbers of visitors given its proximity to Burrator Reservoir, its links to Sarawak and the village's position as a gateway to the moor. The PCC hopes to be able to use the Lady Chapel as a venue for an occasional series of exhibitions on subjects of appeal to visitors and the local community.

Leading Worship and Mission

We benefit for the dedication and inspiration of our Mission Community Clergy team led by: Revd Preb. Nick Shutt with Revd. Gary Shirley, Revd Patrick Parkes (who moved to a new parish during the year), Revd. Mike Fairall and Revd. John Weir. At the end of the year we received the good news that the Revd. Di Caine would join the team in the new year. The clergy were greatly assisted by our Readers: Rodger Locock, Martin Jury and Kerry Elsom and we were very pleased that Martin Jury was licenced during the year to join the Reader team. Under their leadership our worship has developed and been enriched and formed greater links with other worshipping communities within the Mission Community.

We continue to have one Sunday a month, now the third, when worship is led by lay members of the congregation who read the Service, give talks and lead 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.

Music and singing have continued to develop during the year under the leadership of our organist Tony Dando who regularly introduces us to new Hymns, and the congregation has been particularly grateful for the care taken to choose hymns which match the themes of worship Sunday by Sunday.

Benefice and Mission Community

During the year the PCC was able to celebrate the culmination of plans to wrap up all the Parishes in the Mission Community (Horrabridge, Meavy, Sampford Spiney, Sheepstor, Walkhampton, Yelverton) into a single United Benefice.

Meetings and Non Worship Activity

The PCC held an Annual Parish Meeting, jointly with other Parishes in the Mission Community, and met five times during the year initially under the chairmanship of the lay vice chair: Mrs M Bennett, and after her sad death under the lay chairmanship of Miss Pat Legassick.

The PCC records its gratitude for the life, generosity and Christian fellowship of Marion Bennett who was a member of the church for 15 years, many of them with her husband Gordon, and was our Lay Vice Chair for 5 years. She was a very good friend to all who knew her.

The Bells were rung regularly twice a month and at Festivals by our team supported at times by other ringers in the Mission Community. During the year Peter Legassick retired as captain. Peter had rebuilt the team following the Millennium after a period when the Bells were not rung regularly and built the team up to a fine pitch. The captaincy has passed to Heather Chapman.

Joint work parties were held with the Friends of St Leonards to maintain and clean the Church and Churchyard. The Friends also mounted two concerts in the Church under the aegis of Villages in Action which attracted large audiences despite the cutting of the Government Grant.

Safeguarding

Under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Order 2016 the PCC has to the best of its ability had due regard to its duty to follow the guidance from the House of Bishops on safeguarding and vulnerable Adults. We have a safeguarding lead on the PCC, Russell Chapman, who has undertaken safeguarding training and we work with others in our Mission Community to apply best practice under the leadership of our collective safeguarding lead for the whole mission community: Debbie Delaney.

PCC: February 2017

PARISH CHURCH OF

ST. LEONARD

SHEEPSTOR

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ending 31 December 2016

Parochial Church Council

Financial Review for the Year Ending 31 December 2016

This year has seen a marked improvement in the overall fortunes of St. Leonard's largely resulting from the introduction of the parish giving scheme as a result of which planned giving rose by £1078 (21%). Further, there were significant increases across the board - especially voluntary income, pastoral services and the sale of guides etc. Overall receipts were £9976 an increase of £1896 (23%). These figures do not include donations and grants received for the building fund which is treated separately.

Payments were significantly higher than last year at £8080 an increase of £1036 (14%), principally the result of repairs to the electrical system and an increase in our contribution to the common fund.

The balance of receipts over payments was £1896 relative to £1036 in 2015 an increase of (83%). The overall movement in total assets was £5533 excluding the newly established building fund.

All in all, St. Leonard's has had a satisfactory year in financial terms.

We have held two significant events during the year each resulting in generous giving from those who attended. The collection and donations at the Harvest Festival totalled £474 and at the Carol Service £458. These amounts are before the recovery of Gift Aid Tax. The Harvest Festival collection was donated to the charities supported by the mission community. The Carol Service collection was transferred to the building fund and is not included in the Receipts and Payments statement. The charitable donation included Gift Aid recovery.

In addition, a joint coffee morning was held with St. Peters Meavy the proceeds, £265 including gift aid recovery, going to the Youth Project.

The pattern of regular expenditure remained largely unchanged, major items, as usual, being the common fund payment, insurance and upkeep of the churchyard. Our contribution to the Mission Community remained at £500 reflecting agreement reached with the Mission Community Council that the minimum contribution should be fixed at this amount. Expenditure on maintenance of the churchyard has declined, largely the result of a change in the contractual arrangements for grass cutting etc. The total costs for the year were £715 relative to £804 in 2015.

The pattern of pastoral services remains erratic. This year there was one funeral, two weddings, the erection of a memorial and requests for two document copies, bringing an income to the parish of £930.

The Churchyard grant received from the Parish Council was £524. This is based on the difference between maintenance costs and income from burials, ash interment and memorials in the previous year.

As in recent years, income from investments remained disappointing, due as usual to low investment rates in general and to the restraints imposed on PCCs in particular. Our investments and funds deposited with the CCLA, which stood at £50,858 at the

beginning of the year brought in only £833, equivalent to 1.1%. During the course of the year the value of the investment portfolio rose from £22,359 to £24,704 - a total of £2345 or 10.4%.

We have now completed the first stage of work identified in the recently completed quinquennial inspection together with the completion of the Lady Chapel refurbishment. Work commenced in March this year embracing replacement of the tower roof, replacement of all rainwater goods and improvements to the porch roof and to the egress of water from the gully between the nave and south aisle roofs. This scheme is now completed at a total cost of £60,159 relative to a budget of £63,708. Fund raising is regarded as complete although there remains a theoretical shortfall of £1386 - resulting from the virement of funds to the next phase. A full statement for the 1st stage scheme is included with these accounts.

The next planning stage is to complete cost estimates for the remainder of the work - principally repointing of the south and east walls of the church and refurbishment of the Lady Chapel - thus enabling grant application to begin.

Whilst we have had a satisfactory year financially, there remains as before, little cause for complacency.

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 Treasurer

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account For the year ending 31 December 2016

	See Note	2016		2015	
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Planned giving:					
Banker's standing orders		1000.00		2600.00	
Parish Giving Scheme		3325.00			
Envelope scheme		334.00		1098.95	
Income tax recovered		1434.34	6093.34	1316.51	5015.46
Other voluntary income:					
Collections in Church		746.58		675.49	
Box and other freewill offerings		93.75		37.23	
Gifts and donations	1	482.10	1322.43	300.50	1013.22
Churchyard:					
Parish Council contribution		524.20	524.20	375.00	375.00
Miscellaneous income:					
Fees for pastoral services	2	930.00		683.00	
Legacies and bequests					
Events & Visits	3	499.40		486.89	
Sundries					
Sale of postcards/guides		607.25		443.82	
Interest & Investment income			2036.65	63.08	1676.79
Total receipts during year			9976.62		8080.47
PAYMENTS					
The Ministry:					
Contribution to Mission Community		500.00		500.00	
Common Fund		2731.00	3231.00	2523.00	3023.00
The Church building and services:					
Utilities	4	478.00		552.31	
Repairs incl. Quinquennial		792.50			
Insurances		1596.60		1535.05	
Church and Services upkeep		342.54	3209.64	45.00	2132.36
Miscellaneous:					
Churchyard upkeep		714.50		804.20	
Gifts to charities		925.00		569.86	
Donation to Youth Project				494.75	
General expenses, incl. Faculty			1639.50	20.00	1888.81
Total payments during year			8080.14		7044.17
Excess of receipts over payments			1896.48		1036.30
Balance at 1 January			12390.07		11353.77
Balance at 31 December			14286.55		12390.07

Restricted and Endowment Funds
Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ending 31 December 2016

N.B. See separate sheet for 2015/16 Repair Fund

	2016			2015		
	Restricted Funds	Endowm't Funds	Total	Restricted Funds	Endowm't Funds	Total
Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS						
Other voluntary income:						
<i>None</i>						
Miscellaneous income:						
Interest & Investment income	551.97	280.80	832.77	647.79	327.99	975.78
Total receipts during year	551.97	280.80	832.77	647.79	327.99	975.78
PAYMENTS						
The Church building and services:						
<i>None</i>						
Excess of receipts over payments	551.97	280.80	832.77	647.79	327.99	975.78
Balance at 1 January	19051.89	17488.99	36540.88	18404.10	17161.00	35565.10
Balance at 31 December	19603.86	17769.79	37373.65	19051.89	17488.99	36540.88

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Statement of Assets and Liabilities As at 31 December 2016

		2016					2015				
See Note	General Funds £	Building Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Endow'm't Funds £	Total £	Movement in Total £	General Funds £	Building Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Endow'm't Funds £	Total £
Monetary Assets											
Bank current a/c	7502.27	(2456.64)	13549.91		18595.54	(20411.07)	5605.79	19850.91	13549.91		39006.61
CBFCE deposits	6834.07		6053.94	17769.79	30657.80	845.68	6821.16		5501.97	17488.99	29812.12
Total bank balances	14336.34	(2456.64)	19603.85	17769.79	49253.34	(19565.39)	12426.95	19850.91	19051.88	17488.99	68818.73
Investments, at market value			17885.04	6819.16	24704.20	2345.31			16187.11	6171.78	22358.89
Total Funds	14336.34	(2456.64)	37488.89	24588.95	73957.54	(17220.08)	12426.95	19850.91	35238.99	23660.77	91177.62
Other Assets											
Income Tax Recoverable from Gift Aid	758.46	1358.99			2117.45		1432.70				1432.70
Debts and payments not cleared at year end.		(1263.19)			(1263.19)				(1080.00)		(1080.00)
Deposits and receipts not cleared at year end	39.87	458.43			498.30						
Total Assets	15134.67	(1902.41)	37488.89	24588.95	75310.10	(16220.22)	13859.65	19850.91	34158.99	23660.77	91530.32
Movement in Total Assets											
	1275.02	(21753.32)	3329.90	928.18	(16220.22)						
Movement ex Building Fund											
	1275.02		3329.90	928.18	5533.10						

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Restricted and Endowment Funds - Building Fund

Income and Expenditure Account

For the project period ending 31 December 2016

Income	Roof and rainwater Scheme				SE Scheme				Expenditure				Roof and rainwater Scheme				SE Scheme			
	Donations		Gift Aid		Donations		Gift Aid		Total		Total		VAT Grant		Net					
	£		£		£		£		£		£		£		£					
Carried Forward From 2015	21852.93		125.73		21978.66		1600.00		150.00		1750.00		Carried Forward From 2015	4464.00		332.00		4132.00		368.02
Private Donations	4849.52		1212.38		6061.90								Fees	5422.68		408.78		5013.90		
Charitable Trusts	9000.00				9000.00								Contract	59117.12		9852.85		49264.27		
Local Fundraising	2486.43		121.61		2608.04		127.37				127.37		Other	493.27		7.00		486.27		
Bequests	700.00		175.00		875.00		1750.00				1750.00									
HPW Grant	14600.00				14600.00															
Total 2016	31635.95		1508.99		33144.94		1877.37				1877.37			65033.07		10268.63		54764.44		
Total Income Scheme Income	53488.88		1634.72		55123.60		3477.37		150.00		3627.37		Total Scheme Expenditure	69497.07		10600.63		58896.44		368.02
Income - Expenditure					(3772.84)						3259.35									
HPW Grant - Not Yet Drawn Down					3650.00															
Less Retention					(1263.19)								Retention	1263.19				1263.19		
Projected Scheme Shortfall					(1386.03)								Total Expected Scheme Cost					60159.63		

Note - This is an income and expenditure account covering the whole scheme period and showing the true position including payments and receipts not cleared together with commitments and debts not met. Funding secured but not received and Gift Aid Tax not yet claimed are included. It thus will not reconcile with the Receipts and Payments schedules in the remainder of this report.

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Notes to the Accounts For the year ending 31 December 2016

1 Gifts and donations

Joint Coffee Morning with Meavy	265.60
Wedding	76.70
Good Friday Event	79.80
Others	60.00
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	482.10

2 Fees for pastoral services

Weddings	536.00
Memorial	116.00
Funerals	274.00
Copy Marriage Certificate	4.00
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	930.00

3 Events & Visits - Collections and Donations

Harvest Festival	474.40
Others	25.00
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	499.40

Figures exclude Gift Aid Tax Recovery

Harvest Festival - £593.00 donated to the Mission Community supported charities - Inc Gift Aid recovery

Carol Service Collection was £458.43 - *allocated to Building Fund*

4 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

5 Deposits, Receipts, Commitments and Payments not cleared at year end

	£
December Collection	39.87
Carol service Collection	458.43
Roof and Rainwater Project Retention	(1263.19)

Carol service collection and retention have been allocated to the building fund

6 Investments

	Shares	Market Value 31-12-15	Movement in year	Market Value 31-12-16
CBFCE Investment Fund shares	No.	£	£	£
Lady Bryant Bequest	456.00	6171.78	647.38	6819.16
Restricted Funds	1195.98	16187.11	1697.93	17885.04
Total	1651.98	22358.89	2345.31	24704.20

7 Endowment and Restricted Funds

	Bal at 31-12-15 £	Movement in year £	Bal at 31-12-16 £
Endowment Funds			
Lady Bryant Bequest	4745.63	222.35	4967.98
D ST J Forrer Bequest	12443.36	58.45	12501.81
Sir Massey Lopez Church Repair Fund	300.00		300.00
Total	17488.99	280.80	17769.79
Restricted Funds			
Church Repair Fund.	19051.88	551.97	19603.85

Independent Examiner's Report to Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

This report on the attached accounts of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2016 is in respect of an examination carried out under regulations 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 and section 43, Charities Act 1993.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner:

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and it is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of regulation 25, Church Accounting Regulations 1997 and regulation 7, Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995.

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 accounts 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 requirement to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the Act, 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.



Simon Moir

Yelverton,

25 February 2017

St. Mary the Virgin Walkhampton

P.C.C. Report 2016

During the year the P.C.C. met four times. We held several Extraordinary meetings, usually in church after morning service.

The congregation continues to benefit from the facilities provided by the long awaited West End Re-ordering. We also enjoy a social time after most services with refreshments. This cements the good will on which churches depend.

The Service of the Word is held on the first Sunday of every month and is planned by the Worship Group. The service on the third Sunday has reverted to 9.30a.m. this removes any confusion about service times as all are now at 9.30 a.m.

As the Harvest Breakfast was so popular last year, we repeated it with various members of the congregation providing toasters, bread and assorted spreads. The harvest gifts which also came from Lady Modiford's school, were auctioned the next day thanks to the generosity of the landlord and lady of the Burrator Inn. Not only did they host the auction, but numbered the lots and the landlord acted as auctioneer with great success. A most enjoyable evening with the proceeds being donated to 'About Time' and 'Five Talents' in Plymouth.

The traditional Remembrance Sunday service was again held in Walkhampton village Memorial Hall followed by tea and coffee before the congregation walked down to the War Memorial in the village square where a large crowd took part in the service conducted by the Rev.Preb.Nick Shutt

The PCC is aware that many unnamed people keep our church looking at its best and as always our gratitude goes especially to our organist, Tony Dando

Kay Miall

2016 - Annual report, St Mary's, Walkhampton

Another busy year, the installation of under pew heating in most of the pews in the centre of the church was completed in early spring. A fan heater was purchased for use around the church but has not proved to be particularly successful. A major improvement to the problem of dampness in the tower was cured in January, by the clearing and cleaning of the drainpipes and drains on the south side of the tower. Since that work was completed we have had only a few occasions where there was water on the ringing floor. We had a visitation from the rural Dean which went well. We ran our Church opening programme again from June to the end of September . We had over 80 visitors and donations made, were divided between Devon Historic Churches and Catalyst. We held a Church clean up day in October which was well supported. Annual inspections were made of the Fire extinguishers and lightening conductors. In December the Stannary brass band held a concert in aid if the Children's Hospice South West, which was very well attended.

Mike Dobson & David Lenthall, Churchwardens

St Mary the Virgin Walkhampton
Receipts and payments
Selected period: 01 January 2016 to 31 December 2016

Note	From To	01 January 2016 31 December 2016	01 January 2015 31 December 2015
General - General fund (Unrestricted) Fund			
Receipts			
Donations, Legacies and similar incoming resources			
GIFT AID DONATIONS		12,386.94	8,700.13
COLLECTIONS		856.45	1,427.61
DONATIONS		721.00	159.25
<i>Total Donations, Legacies and similar incoming resources</i>		<u>13,964.39</u>	<u>10,286.99</u>
Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects			
CHARITY FUND RAISING		—	427.47
<i>Total Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects</i>		<u>—</u>	<u>427.47</u>
Activities for generating funds			
CHURCH FUND RAISING		902.99	1,325.94
GENERAL FUND (BUILDING WORKS)		—	8,969.72
PROJECT FUND		159,181.58	16,791.37
<i>Total Activities for generating funds</i>		<u>160,084.57</u>	<u>27,087.03</u>
Investment income			
BANK ACCOUNT INTEREST		98.51	681.08
<i>Total Investment income</i>		<u>98.51</u>	<u>681.08</u>
Other incoming resources			
INCOME TAX REBATE		1,954.34	18,846.99
TEAM FEES		3,126.00	2,271.00
REFUNDS		137.12	—
GRANTS RECEIVED		569.88	965.33
MAGAZINE SALES		176.00	193.00
<i>Total Other incoming resources</i>		<u>5,963.34</u>	<u>22,276.32</u>
Total receipts		180,110.81	60,758.89
Payments			
Costs of generating funds			
MAGAZINE COSTS		390.00	390.00
<i>Total Costs of generating funds</i>		<u>390.00</u>	<u>390.00</u>
Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects			
REFUND OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS		100.00	—
CHARITY DONATIONS		480.00	907.47
<i>Total Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects</i>		<u>580.00</u>	<u>907.47</u>
Support costs			
SERVICE EXPENSES		116.10	177.42
SUNDRIES MISC		961.75	639.82
MINISTRY EXPENSES		713.10	762.00
FLOWER EXPENSES		72.50	18.00
HEATING AND LIGHT		2,346.23	1,419.27
CHURCH REPAIRS		60.00	716.32
INSURANCE		2,647.49	2,710.43
COMMON FUND		8,877.00	10,205.00
CHURCHYARD		1,711.70	1,743.44
WEST END REORDERING COSTS		—	186,923.62
PROJECT COSTS		4,565.28	5,753.60
<i>Total Support costs</i>		<u>22,071.15</u>	<u>211,068.92</u>

St John's, Horrabridge PCC Annual Report 2016

Churchwardens

Mrs Carol Shirley 852439

Mrs Carolyn Hempenstall 852385

PCC Members

Peter Ballinger

Linda Hitchcock

Mike Godkin

Anita Hyne Deanery Synod Representative

Sybil Heathcock

Hilary Prout

Phyllis Hellier

Finance

Mike Godkin stood down as Treasurer in July and Carol Shirley has been acting Treasurer. Rachel Waldron has resigned as Examiner of the accounts and Jackie Waites has agreed to take on this role.

PCC

The PCC met 6 times for ordinary meetings and once for an extraordinary meeting.

Family Service

On the 2nd Sunday of the month we no longer have an officiating Priest but the Service is planned and run by a small worship team. This is working well and 2 or 3 families are attending regularly.

Methodist Service

We continue to have a Methodist Service on the 3rd Sunday of the month. In August we said goodbye to the Reverend John Swanston and welcomed the Reverend Phil Griffin.

The Kitchen

The Kitchen has proved to be a wonderful asset to St John's. A dishwasher was installed in June and is proving to be invaluable.

Pastoral Committee

As usual we looked after several of our elderly members.

The ladies of St John's did the cooking for 6 Men's Breakfasts, the Maundy Thursday supper, a Harvest lunch and every Tuesday a light lunch, the profits from which have gone to either the Lent charity, or CHICKS charity. Refreshments were also provided at a couple of "special" birthday parties and at all of the Fund Raising events.

Task and Finish Group

A Task and Finish Group separate from the PCC was set up and came up with some very good suggestions including the refurbishment of the Children's Area (which has been done) and the start of Prayer sessions in Church on the first Thursday of the month.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is now a standing item on every PCC Meeting Agenda. Some of us will be attending a Safeguarding Course in March 2017.

Fabric

Repairs need to be done to the Church Roof and a contractor has been instructed to do this. Otherwise the building is in good repair thanks to a small team of volunteers. A small gardening group has done sterling work on the Church grounds and we were also helped by the Horrabridge Beavers.

Friends of St John's

The Friends of St John's again helped us with Fund Raising, which included a concert by Stannary Brass Band in April and the Bluebell walk in May. With some of the money they raised we have purchased a Hostess Trolley and new ramps.

Fund Raising

As well as the above together with other village groups we organised the Summer Fair in June. In October we hosted a concert with Flute Cocktail, this also included an Organ recital by David Crocker our organist.

School

Our relationship with the School continues to grow. They gave two very enjoyable concerts during the year and many of the children attended the Christingle service.

Festival of Nativity Scenes

One of the highlights of the year was our Festival of Nativity Scenes. Many local churches, schools and village organisations took part and there was a wonderful variety of exhibits. The festival ran from the 3rd to the 11th December and included a Christingle service and finished with a Carol Service.

Occasional Offices

In 2016 there were

6 Baptisms

9 Funerals

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ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

HORRABRIDGE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ending 31 December 2016

St John The Baptist Church Horrabridge Parochial Church Council

Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	RECEIPTS			
	<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Planned giving:</u>				
Regular giving	7519.92		8450.18	
Special collections	1453.34		884.63	
Income tax recovered	6716.58		3435.72	
Sub-total		15689.84		<u>12770.53</u>
<u>Other voluntary income:</u>				
Collections in Church	3878.03		2162.95	
Donations (non-specific)	173.49		1617.20	
Grants	3150.00		0.00	
Special appeals	36.00		791.70	
Men's breakfast	178.05		255.10	
General fundraising	1712.90		1807.48	
Organ Fund	193.25		0.00	
Sub-total		9321.72		<u>6634.43</u>
<u>Miscellaneous income:</u>				
Fees for pastoral services	1642.00		2303.00	
Return of cheques	0.00		0.00	
Court fines	150.32		82.42	
Transfer from CAF a/c for kitchen ⁱ	0.00		0.00	
Miscellaneous income	317.76		0.00	
Interest (CAF account) ⁱⁱ	6.86		11.74	
Sub-total		2116.94		<u>2397.16</u>
Total receipts during year		<u>27128.50</u>		<u>21802.12</u>

Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 December 2016

PAYMENTS

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
	£	£
<u>The Ministry:</u>		
Common Fund (C. of E.) ⁱⁱⁱ	12000.00	13407.00
Sub-total	<u>12000.00</u>	<u>13407.00</u>
<u>The Church buildings and services:</u>		
Utilities	1031.10	1805.08
Insurance	2540.26	2470.36
Maintenance	665.94	1415.86
Organ repairs	294.00	1309.20
Churchyard	0.00	180.00
Capital outlay	1660.50	0.00
Sub-total	<u>6191.80</u>	<u>7180.50</u>
<u>Other costs:</u>		
Administration	504.75	190.25
Expendables/Services upkeep	191.00	137.30
Salaries and support costs	1300.00	1300.00
Mission Community Budget	940.08	1001.04
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00
Donor refund	0.00	0.00
Donations	47.00	636.31
Fundraising costs ^{iv}	70.00	227.19
Sub-total	<u>3052.83</u>	<u>3492.09</u>
Total payments during year	<u>21244.63</u>	<u>24079.59</u>
Excess/Deficit of receipts over payments	<u>5883.87</u>	<u>-2277.47</u>

Restricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account

For the year ended 31 December 2016

	<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	853.94		9220.28	
Receipts:				
Roof Grants	3150.00		500.00	
Organ Fundraising	193.25		1147.98	
Donations	36.00		458.00	
Interest	0.00		0.00	
		3379.25		2105.98
Payments:				
Organ Maintenance	193.25			
Faculty payment				
Bank charges			2.00	
Kitchen Construction			10470.32	
		193.25		10472.32
Balance at 31 December		<u>4039.94</u>		<u>853.94</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

As at 31 December 2016

Monetary assets

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2016	Total 2015
	Funds	Funds		
TSB Bank plc	13748.81	4039.94	17788.75	6717.69
CAF Bank	0.00	0.00	0.00	5187.79
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	13748.81	4039.94	17788.75	11905.48

Liabilities

Nil

Notes

As of January 2016 the accounts are being done using software by Data Developments. As of March 2016 the TSB Treasurers Account changed in name only from United Church of Horrabridge ECC to St John the Baptist Church Horrabridge PCC.

Income

Jan to July Court Fine payments were listed under miscellaneous from August they are listed under their own code 0117

Jan Miscellaneous includes £301.66 Gas refund on change of supplier Ref: 1000117

Unrestricted Funds.

Interest for the CAF account was not included in the unrestricted funds statement in 2016.

The CAF account was closed on 23rd August 2016 as no longer required funds transferred to TSB General Account.

Restricted Funds. Restricted Funds are funds raised and set aside to fund repairs to the roof, in addition there is a left over sum of £853.94 from the kitchen.

Organ Fund. A separate organ fund has been set up to raise funds to cover the cost of organ repairs. Currently this fund owes the general fund £617.75 this comprises £517.00 from 2015 plus £100.75 which is the difference between funds raised and costs incurred in 2016

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.

**Independent Examiner's report to the trustees of
United Church of Horrabridge Parochial Church Council**

I report on the accounts of United Church of Horrabridge Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2016.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and examiner

The trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission; and
- To 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 project 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 the trustees concerning 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 me 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 and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act 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.

J Waites A.C.A.



30th January 2017

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

**Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended
31st December 2016**

Administrative Information

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

The correspondence address is:

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

PCC members who have served from April 2016 until the date of this report are:

Priest in Charge:	Rev Preb Nick Shutt
Lay Chairman:	Brig Simon Hill
Church Wardens:	Mrs Helen Sims/Sir Peter Badge
Deanery Synod Representative:	Mr Keith Ebdon
Treasurer:	Mrs Elizabeth Cole
Minutes Secretary:	Mrs Rita Hopwood
Secretary:	Mrs Janet Mudge

Elected Members:

Mr Michael Doidge
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.

Mission Statement

To grow in love for God and his world

Objectives and Activities

The rhythm of church life and worship has continued much as before. Sir Peter Badge, Simon Hill, Helen Sims and Elizabeth Cole have represented the parish at Mission Community meetings. Members of the congregation have also made efforts to engage with Mission Community events.

The parish continues to be well served by the Mission Community clergy team, supported by retired clergy and lay readers, and we are very grateful for their efforts on our behalf particularly at major events in the church calendar and for their hard work in producing event specific liturgies from time to time. We look forward to the arrival of Rev Di Caine in January 2017.

The dissolution of the Horrabridge/Sampford Spiney benefice has been completed and we have joined our friends in Yelverton, Walkhampton, Meavy and Sheepstor in a Joint Parochial Church Council to be known as the Mission Community Council. We hosted a well-attended Mission Community Animal Service in September.

In the new structure our PCC will continue to be represented on the Mission Community Council and on its Standing, Safeguarding and Purchasing & Finance Committees. The PCC continues to fully support the co-operative way that the Mission Community is moving forward and takes considerable pleasure that we appear to be diocesan leaders in the field.

Overall, our church remains in good shape – we manage to pay our way, have a vibrant church and community events programme, and maintain the strong support of our parishioners. Following the Rural Dean's Inspection we were congratulated on the way we run our church which was most gratifying.

Church Attendance

There are 25 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance was 9, with increased attendance on Easter Sunday (20), on Christmas Day (41) and our Lay Led Carol Service on the Sunday after Christmas (21). We also had a good attendance at our Good Friday Children's Service (c25). During 2016 there have been 2 marriages and 1 baptism.

Church Warden's Report

We continue to value our Book of Common Prayer services and to use the King James Bible, except for Baptisms where the Common Worship version is used. That said, we recognise the excellent work done in producing the Service of the Word, Morning Praise and Evening Prayer formats for use at appropriate times. We are growing in confidence in respect of holding Lay Led services and Keith Ebdon continues to minister the chalice at Holy Communion.

We continue to benefit from the appointment of a handy man in 2014 who ensures that all the day to day work is kept under control – hanging kneelers, repairing pews, replacing lightbulbs, clearing drains, flashings, and gutters, and keeping an eye on hedges, trees and gravestones. We have yet to implement a faculty for a large noticeboard to be placed in the porch for the joint use of Parochial and Parish Councils

We continue to see a steady flow of visitors to our church and remain committed to the church being open 24/7.

We have continued to raise funds to re-point the faces of the tower and we completed the North Face in October. The PCC has committed the money to re-point the South Face in 2017 which will complete a substantial period of renovation. Once we have completed the work on the church tower, we intend to revert to our former habit of splitting our fundraising effort between charity giving and our running costs and fabric funds.

Both old and new churchyards remain in good repair, although we plan a tree survey in 2017. During the summer we replaced the churchyard path lights with ones less tempting as scratching posts for sheep! We have also agreed with Plasterdown Grouped Parish Council that they will increase their annual contribution to churchyard maintenance from £100 to £400 per annum.

Helen Sims is our trained Safeguarding Officer with Simon Hill and Sir Peter Badge appointed to support her. Safeguarding, Fire and Health & Safety feature as standing items on at our PCC Meetings – during the year we have had no issues with any of these matters.

In conclusion, we must acknowledge the enormous contribution that our hardworking church wardens – Helen Sims & Sir Peter Badge - make to the running of the church.

Review of the Year

Thanks must go to all the people who gave so much valuable help in the running of St. Mary's throughout the year made up of those that attend services and others that we see from time to time - it all makes for a relaxed and friendly community. In particular, we

should acknowledge the support of Holly and Gerard Leahy who hosted the Barbecue and Jazz once more.

As always we are hugely dependent on the goodwill of our elected members and 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.

Kevin Reed, supported by Jill, for all his work as our handy man.

The Cole family for helping cut the old churchyard.

Finally, our very supportive team of sidesmen & women.

Over the year we have held or been involved with the following events and we are most grateful to the organisers of:

3rd Exhibition of West Country Artists

Flower Festival

Parish Raffle

Barbecue and Jazz

Sheepdog Trials

Harvest Supper and Auction

Christmas Extravaganza

Fabric & Finance

In principle, we continue to commit the income from the Sheepdog Trials (£1500), the Harvest Festival and Auction (c£3102), and the Christmas Extravaganza (c£400) to our Running Cost Account, although improved finances over the year has enabled us to make substantial transfers to our Fabric Account. The income from the Harvest Festival and Auction was substantially higher than last year and reflects great credit on Michael Doidge and the superb support of our parishioners and their friends. Further, we are very grateful to the organisers of the Sheepdog Trials for their most generous donation.

In addition, our Art Exhibition raised £667 and the Flower Festival £603.

We intend to look closely at the Parish Buying Scheme for electricity – savings of around 20% seem possible.

Financial Review

Our detailed Financial Statement is attached – in summary, we enter 2017 in a healthy position with £4000.10 in the Running Cost Account and £14839.92 in the Fabric Account.

The PCC has recently approved detailed processes for the management of our funds.

SAMPFORD SPINEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL - FABRIC ACCOUNT 2015						
					Actual 2016	Actual 2015
Receipts						
Interest					32.95	34.18
Tower Fund					0.00	3012.30
Donations					0.00	474.42
VAT Refund					2072.00	0.00
Funerals & Covenants					0.00	0.00
IR Refund					694.61	1080.69
Harvest Auction					3102.77	0.00
Art Exhibition Profit					667.44	0.00
Parish Raffle/ Jazz Evening					2453.14	0.00
Christmas Extravaganza					400.00	0.00
			Total Receipts		£9,422.91	£4,601.59
Payments						
Transfer to Cash Act for Tower Work					12,432.00	0.00
Tfr to Cash Act for Parish Raffle & Art Exh expenses					646.26	238.80
			Total Payments		£13,078.26	£238.80
Current Net Position					-£3,655.35	£4,362.79
Cash Balances			Start		£18,495.27	£14,132.48
			End		£14,839.92	£18,495.27
Restricted Funds		B/F 2016				
Legacies & Funerals		£5,127.09				
Fabric & Churchyard		£1,328.45				
Bells		£1,260.00				
	Total	£7,715.54				
Statement of Assets & Liabilities 31/12/2016.						
Assets	Fabric Fund	Church Fund	Total for 2015			
Barclays	0.00	£309.26	£164.38			
CAF Cash Act	£0.00	£3,690.84	£3,161.81			
CAF Gold Act	£14,839.92	£0.00	£0.00			
Total Cash	£18,495.27	£4,000.10	£3,326.19			
Liabilities	Nil					

						ACTUAL	2016	ACTUAL 2015
Receipts								
Collections - Gift Aid						2688.35		1459.17
Collections - Other								847.69
Covenants - Gift Aid						145.00		245.00
Sheep Dog Trials						1500.00		1500.00
Donations						750.00		765.00
Weddings & Funerals						741.00		335.00
Harvest Auction						3102.77		2724.50
Interest						0.00		0.00
Christmas Extravaganza						0.00		621.50
Flower Festival						602.73		0.00
Plasterdown Parish Council						140.00		165.00
Miscellaneous						350.50		492.00
Transfer from Gold Account						13078.26		238.80
Art Exhibition						4655.50		6326.01
Parish Raffle						243.00		565.30
Jams & Marmalades						24.35		188.65
VAT Reclaimed						2072.00		0.00
Wall Safe Proceeds						161.15		144.40
			Total Receipts			30254.6		16618.0
Payments								
Diocesan Share						3148.00		3758.00
Repairs						12432.00		377.20
Electricity						544.00		1124.08
Insurance						1474.45		1438.55
Organist						600.00		600.00
Miscellaneous						471.76		785.33
Fund Raising costs						876.13		485.00
Mission Community Contribution						500.00		500.00
Artists Payments						3367.88		4463.27
Bell Ring Table						0.00		350.00
Church & Graveyard Maintenance Expenses						314.27		265.80
Transfer to Gold Account						5842.21		1925.30
Bank Charges						10.00		0.00
			Total Payments			29580.7		16072.5
			Current Net Position			673.91		545.49
Cash Balances			Start Position			3326.19		3161.81
			Barclays balance			309.26		164.38
			End Position			4,000.10		3326.19

SAMPORD SPINEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL 2016

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2016 which are set out on pages 1 and 2, 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 the PCC 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 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 and to be found in the *Church Guidance*, 2006 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council. 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 from you as trustees 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 Regulationshave 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)

