St. Piran's Church, Perran-ar-Worthal Perran-ar-Worthal Parochial Church Council

Annual Church Reports and Accounts

year ending 31st December 2020



Re Constitution

The principal objective of the PCC is to further the work of the Church of England in the Parish of Perranarworthal. St Piran's Church is situated in Church Road, Perranarworthal.

The PCC is a body corporate and a charity excepted from registration.

Review of the Year

The Parochial Church Council for 2020:

Mr. P Stuart Churchwarden and Lay Chair

Mr. D Simmonds Churchwarden/ Ringing Captain/Deanery Synod Rep

Mrs. J Hopwood Secretary

Miss P Wilcocks Treasurer

Mrs. C Ryall

Mrs. J Dundon

Mrs. J Thomas

Mrs. H McCombie

Mr. G Denwood

Mrs. T Woodrow Safeguarding

Mr. T Rogers

Mrs. L Rogers

Mrs. R Aitken Deanery Synod Representative

The full PCC met twice in the Church Hall, plus the APCM in Church and via 3 Zoom and 2 vestry meetings

Electoral Roll 2021

Following a revision there are currently 59 names on the Electoral Roll. Since last year 3 names have been deleted and 1 new name added.

Heather McCombie Electoral Roll Officer 5 April 2021

Priest in Charge

Priest in Charge: Vacancy

Acting Priest in Charge: Reverend Caspar Bush

Bank

Lloyds Bank plc 11 Killigrew Street Falmouth Cornwall TR11 3RA

PCC Secretary

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Independent Examiner

Mr Tim Best Long View Silver Hill Perranwell Station Truro TR3 7LP

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Financial Report

2020 has been an extraordinary year for us all with the Covid 19 pandemic and closure of churches for services with great uncertainty about income now and in the future. We have had a full year with no stipendiary priests and with sadness have seen the retirement of Reverend Owen Blatchly from ministry. When possible, our services have been led by our own local lay worship leader, our curate and Methodist friends have given support. Without them the year would have been extremely bleak but they have helped enormously to keep our congregation together and give some spiritual cheer. We also thank the Church Wardens, the Tuesday working party and all those who do so much quietly behind the scenes.

At the end of the 2020 financial year our overall assets value is £58,289 which contrasts with the previous year where the stated reported asset figure was £55,279 at 31st December 2019.

The increase in the amount this year is due mainly to much lower expenditure on church running costs but is also a tribute to you for your continued support in regular giving for which we are extremely grateful and without which we cannot survive.

Fund raising has also been severely affected this year because of the pandemic but fortunately two events held early in the year gave us some income. Income from weddings, baptisms, weekly collection and occasional envelopes have also been greatly reduced.

Gift Aid receipts are also down because of reduced income.

We gave £15.800 in MMF payable to the Diocese of Truro leaving a deficit of £6,179 on the call of £21.979. In this uncertain climate where there is little clear evidence of when life and church will return to normal it was agreed by the PCC that £15.800 was the most we could give this year and that we needed to be prudent in our giving and be planning for the year ahead when we move to Powder Deanery and become part of the Waterside Churches.

With this transition the future of our own PCC is also under discussion and it is possible that we may become one parish with one united PCC with Feock and Devoran which would mean all our assets would be held within the Waterside Churches and that we would no longer have Perranarworthal PCC. Representatives from the three churches would form the one new PCC and future decisions all made by them However, if this should happen, we have been promised that our legacies and restricted funds would be secure and used only for the intended purpose of the donor for St Piran's Church.

Insurance for the Church and Church Hall with Ecclesiastical of £2.384.21 continues to be a major expense.

In conclusion, our future in many ways is uncertain both from church organisation and income. We have managed financially this year because of our reserve, but with further loss of services into the New Year and uncertainty about income from fund raising we must hope that our income will recover. One way in which you could help would be to review your level of regular giving if you have not done so recently. The full impact of the pandemic will become apparent in 2021.

I am grateful to Tim Best for agreeing to be Examiner for the 2020 accounts and to Annie Hewitt for all her support and help with the accounts.

P Wilcocks Hon Treasurer

3rd February 2021

Restrictive Funds

The Bell Tower Fund receives donations from the Truro and District Ringers and from visiting ringers to the Tower.

A grant of £500 came from the Parish Council for Churchyard maintenance. £520 from a local benefactor was generously donated to cover the costs of cleaning the Church Hall and a £1,000 from another local benefactor for churchyard maintenance.

Maintenance of the Churchyard cost £1,050 this year. We are grateful to our contractor for his hard work and support. We also thank the Parish Council for supporting us further this year by arranging for the hedges to be cut at no cost to us.

The Fabric Fund balance is £19,067 at the end of December 2020 up from £16,687 at 31st December 2019.

£141 in the Pearl of Africa fund raised through Sunday Church Coffee donations in the first quarter of the year will be donated to them in early 2021.

Patricia Wilcocks Honorary Treasurer Dated 3rd February 2021 **Receipts and Payments Account**

Receipts and Payments Accoun						
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Prior year
	funds	funds	funds	funds	funds	total funds
Receipts						
Planned giving	13,232	_	_	_	13,232	13,399
Collections and other giving	3,543	_	1,250	_	4,793	6,307
Other voluntary receipts	1,113	138	1,720	_	2,972	3,511
Gift Aid recovered	4,417	_	_	_	4,417	5,336
Other receipts	_	_	_	_	_	1,010
Activities for generating funds	946	_	2,158	_	3,104	3,624
Investment Income	_	_	238	_	238	273
Receipts from church activities	25	4,393	_	_	4,418	7,571
Total receipts	23,278	4,531	5,366	_	33,176	41,035
Doumanta						
Payments Cost of generating funds		60	15		75	591
Missionary and Charitable Giving		300	785		1,085	700
Parish Share	15,800	1,245	765	_	17,045	20,074
Clergy and Staffing costs	2,523	1,230			3,753	5,398
Church Running Expenses	3,143	2,558	1,806	_	7,508	9,596
Hall Running Costs	26	2,000	669	_	696	1,241
Church Repairs & Maintenance	_	_	-	_	-	1,241
Hall Repairs & Maintenance	_	_	_	_	_	_
New Building work	_	_	_	_	_	
Governance Costs	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total payments	21,493	5,394	3,277	_	30,165	37,601
Excess of receipts over payments before	1,784	(862)	2,088		3,010	3,434
transfer						
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	3,596	1,063	440		5,099	9,407
Gross transfers between funds - in	3,390	(5,099)	440	_	(5,099)	(9,407)
Excess of receipts over payments before	5,380	(4,898)	2,528		3,010	3,434
other gains / losses	3,300	(4,090)	2,320	_	3,010	3,434
Net movement in funds	5,380	(4,898)	2,528	_	3,010	3,434
All assets at 01 January 2020	12,530	6,638	36,109	_	55,279	51,844
All assets at 31 December 2020	17,911	1,739	38,638	_	58,289	55,279
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	17,911	_	_	_	17,911	12,530
5						
Designated						
Cluster Administration Coffee Stop	_	348	_	_	348	 570
Defibrillator	_	340	_	_	340	370
Holding a/c weddings & funerals	_	239	_	_	239	_
Insurance Church/Church Hall	_	239 87			87	2,471
Keyboard Fund 2019	_	—			—	600
Wedding Banns Funerals PCC retained	_	1,063	_	_	1,063	2,996
Do atriata d						
Restricted					50	50
Chancel Repair Fund	_	_	52	_	52	52
Church Hall Fund	_	_	5,401	_	5,401	4,974
Corporals Fund	_	_	50	_	50	50
Fabric 2017 fundraiser	_	_	0	_	0	0
Fabric Fund	_	_	19,067	_	19,067	16,687
Flower Fund	_	_	285	_	285	285
Hearing Loop Fund	_	_	4.007	_	4 007	4 507
Heating Fund from Weddings and Funerals	_	_	1,867	_	1,867	1,527
Holiday Club	_	_	565	_	565	565
Nepal Shelter Box	_	_	2 0 4 0	_		
Organ Fund	_	_	3,243	_	3,243	3,320
Pearl Of Africa	_	_	141	_	141	785
Sunday School Fund	_	_	10	_	10	140
Tower & Bells Restoration Fund Transformation Cornwall	_	_	6,924 0	_	6,924 0	7,136 0
Upkeep of Churchyard	_	_	1,027	<u></u>	1,027	583
Sphoop of Sharonyard	_	_	1,027	_	1,027	303

Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Current assets		
Cash at bank and in hand	58,289	55,279
	58,289	55,279
Net current assets less current liabilities	58,289	55,279
Total assets less current liabilities	58,289	55,279
Total net assets less liabilities	58,289	55,279
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	17,911	12,530
Designated		
Cluster Administration	_	_
Defibrillator	_	_
Insurance Church/Church Hall	87	2,471
Keyboard Fund 2019	_	600
Coffee Stop	348	570
Holding a/c weddings & funerals	239	_
Wedding Banns Funerals PCC retained	1,063	2,996
Restricted		
Fabric 2017 fundraiser	0	0
Upkeep of Churchyard	1,027	583
Organ Fund	3,243	3,320
Church Hall Fund	5,401	4,974
Chancel Repair Fund	52	52
Hearing Loop Fund	_	_
Corporals Fund	50	50
Holiday Club	565	565
Heating Fund from Weddings and Funerals	1,867	1,527
Nepal Shelter Box	——————————————————————————————————————	
Pearl Of Africa	141	785
Tower & Bells Restoration Fund	6,924	7,136
Fabric Fund	19.067	16,687
Sunday School Fund	10	140
Flower Fund	285	285
Transformation Cornwall	0	0
Funds of the church	58,289	55,279

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Current assets						
Bank current account	(12,222)	11,671	15,848	_	15,297	12,439
Bank deposit account	22,235	_	14,348	_	36,584	36,584
CCLA (CBF) deposit account	(4,342)	_	10,536	_	6,194	6,194
Cash in hand	12,240	(9,931)	(2,095)	_	212	60
Totals	17,911	1,739	38,638	_	58,289	55,279
Grand total	17,911	1,739	38,638	_	58,289	55,279

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers Gai	ins/losses	Closing
CLUSTER - Cluster Administrati Designated	_	_	_	_	_	_
Sub-total for CLUSTER	_	_	_	_	_	_
DEFIB - Defibrillator						
Designated Sub-total for DEFIB						
FABRIC2017 - Fabric 2017 fundrais	0					0
Restricted Sub-total for FABRIC2017	0 0					0
HEATING - Heating Fund from We Restricted	1,527			340		1 967
Sub-total for HEATING	1,527			340		1,867 1,867
INSUR - Insurance Church/Chu						
Designated Sub-total for INSUR	2,471 2,471		2,384 2,384			87 87
	2,411		2,004			0,
KEYBOARD - Keyboard Fund 2019 Designated	600		_	(600)		
Sub-total for KEYBOARD	600	_	_	(600)	_	_
NEPAL - Nepal Shelter Box Restricted						
Sub-total for NEPAL						
PEARL - Pearl Of Africa						
Restricted Sub-total for PEARL	785 785	156 156	800 800			141 141
	703	130	000	_	_	141
General - General fund Unrestricted	12,530	23,278	21,493	3,596	_	17,911
Sub-total for General	12,530	23,278	21,493	3,596	_	17,911
TNRF - Tower & Bells Restor	7 400	50	070			2.224
Restricted Sub-total for TNRF	7,136 7,136	58 58	270 270			6,924 6,924
FF - Fabric Fund						
Restricted	16,687	2,379		_		19,067
87yyyygtfSub-total for FF	16,687	2,379	_	_	_	19,067
SSF - Sunday School Fund Restricted	140	_	130	_	_	10
Sub-total for SSF	140	_	130	_	_	10
FLWRF - Flower Fund						
Restricted Sub-total for FLWRF	285 285					285 285
TFRC - Transformation Cornw						
Restricted	0	_	_	_		0
Sub-total for TFRC	0	_	_	_	_	0
UOC - Upkeep of Churchyard Restricted	502	1 500	1.056			1.027
Sub-total for UOC	583 583	1,500 1,500	1,056 1,056			1,027 1,027
OF - Organ Fund						
Restricted	3,320		176	100		3,243
Sub-total for OF	3,320	_	176	100	_	3,243
CHF - Church Hall Fund Restricted	4,974	1,271	844	_	_	5,401
Sub-total for CHF	4,974	1,271	844	_	_	5,401

CRF - Chancel Repair Fund						
Restricted	52	_	_	_	_	52
Sub-total for CRF	52	_	_	_	_	52
HLF - Hearing Loop Fund Restricted		_	_	_	_	_
Sub-total for HLF		_	_	-	_	
CORPF - Corporals Fund						
Restricted	50	_	_	_		50
Sub-total for CORPF	50	_	_	_	_	50
COFFS - Coffee Stop						
Designated .	570	138	360	_	_	348
Sub-total for COFFS	570	138	360	_	_	348
HOLDWF - Holding a/c weddings						
Designated	_	4,393	2,650	(1,503)		239
Sub-total for HOLDWF	_	4,393	2,650	(1,503)	_	239
WDBFRLS - Wedding Banns Funera						
Designated	2,996	_	_	(1,933)	_	1,063
Sub-total for WDBFRLS	2,996	_	_	(1,933)	_	1,063
HOLC - Holiday Club						
Restricted	565	_	_	_	_	565
Sub-total for HOLC	565	_	_	_	_	565
Grand total	55,279	33,176	30,165	_		58,289

Analysis of receipts and payments

Planned giving

						Total	
		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank		10,196	_	_	_	10,196	8,986
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes		2,891	_	_		2,891	3,952
0201 - Other planned giving		145	_	_	_	145	461
	Total	13,232	_	_	_	13,232	13,399

Collections and other giving

						Total	
		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0301 - Loose plate collections		2,727	_	_	_	2,727	3,996
0401 - Regular gift days		_	_	_	_	_	_
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts		816	_	1,250	_	2,066	2,311
	Total	3,543	_	1,250	_	4,793	6,307

Other voluntary receipts

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0410 - Giving through church boxes	_	_	9	_	9	4
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities		_	_			
0550 - Donations appeals etc	1,113	138	1,211	_	2,463	2,606
0701 - Legacies		_	_			250
0801 - Recurring grants		_	_			
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	_	_	500	_	500	650
Total	1,113	138	1,720	_	2,972	3,511

Gift Aid recovered

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	4,417	_	_	_	4,417	5,336
Total	4,417	_	_	_	4,417	5,336

Other receipts

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0901 - Other funds generated	_	_	_	_	_	1,010
1310 - Insurance claims		_	_		_	_
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	_	_	_	_	_	1,010

Activities for generating funds

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0910 - Rummage sales etc	946	_	1,417	_	2,363	2,078
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising		_	_		_	_
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund		_	741		741	1,546
raising						
1250 - Magazine income - advertising		_	_			
1260 - Parish magazine sales	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	946	_	2,158		3,104	3,624

Investment Income

					Total		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1001 - Dividends	_	_	_	_	_		
1020 - Investment General Deposit Account	_	_	203	_	203	229	
1021 - Investment Income Restricted Tower & Bel	_	_	34	_	34	44	
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	_	_	238	_	238	273	

Receipts from church activities

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	25	4,393	_	_	4,418	7,553
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	_	_	_	_	_	_
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	_	_	_	_	_	18
Total	25	4,393	_	_	4,418	7,571

Cost of generating funds

					Total		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	_	_	_	_	_	_	
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	_	_	_	_	_	_	
1720 - Costs of stewardship		_	_		_	_	
campaign							
1730 - Fund raising costs	_	60	15	_	75	591	
1740 - Investment management costs	_	_	_	_	_	_	
2510 - Bookstall costs	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	_	60	15	_	75	591	

Parish Share

					1 otal		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1901 - Stipend's quota 1910 - Ministry parish share etc	15,800	1,245	_	_	17,045	20,074	
Tot	al 15,800	1,245	_	_	17,045	20,074	

Missionary and Charitable Giving

					Total		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	_	_	_	_	_		
1830 - Giving - relief and		_	_		_	_	
development agencies							
1850 - Home mission		_	_		_	_	
1870 - Secular charities		300	785	_	1,085	700	
Total	_	300	785	_	1,085	700	

Clergy and Staffing costs

					Total		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
2001 - Assistant staff costs	975	160	_	_	1,135	920	
2050 - Salary of organist	680	140	_	_	820	1,730	
2101 - Clergy expenses	868	930	_	_	1,798	2,748	
2120 - Council tax		_	_	_			
2130 - Parsonage house expenses		_	_	_			
2140 - Water rates - vicarage		_	_	_			
2145 - Parsonage - water	_	_	_	_	_	_	
2150 - Vicar's telephone	_	_	_	_	_	_	
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	_	_	_	_	_	_	
Total	2,523	1,230	_	_	3,753	5,398	

Church Running Expenses

					Total	l
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2170 - Education		_	130	_	130	775
2201 - Parish training and mission	_	_	_	_	_	_
2301 - Church running - insurance	_	2,384	-	_	2,384	2,408
2310 - Church office - telephone	_	_	-	_	_	_
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	_	_	45	_	45	314
2330 - Church maintenance	825	_	400	_	1,226	422
2331 - Cleaning	_	_	114	_	114	340
2340 - Upkeep of services	565	_	-	_	565	985
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	_	_	1,056	_	1,056	924
2360 - General Administration	218	174	60	_	452	1,103
2401 - Church running - electric	_	_	-	_	_	_
2410 - Church running - gas	_	_	-	_	_	_
2420 - Church running - water	_	_		_	_	_
2430 - Church running - oil	_	_		_	_	_
2440 - Church running - heating and	1,534	_	-	_	1,534	2,323
lighting						
2501 - Magazine expenses and	_	_		_	_	_
bookstall						
Total	3,143	2,558	1,806	_	7,508	9,596

Hall Running Costs

					Total			
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year		
2520 - Hall running - oil	_	_	_	_	_			
2530 - Hall running - electricity	_	_	_	_	_			

2540 - Hall running - gas	_	_	_	_	_	_
2550 - Hall running - insurance	_	_	_	_	_	_
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	_	_	67	_	67	602
2570 - Hall running - telephone	_	_	_	_	_	_
2580 - Hall running - water	_	_	277	_	277	154
2590 - Hall running - heating and	26	_	325	_	351	484
lighting						
Total	26	_	669	_	696	1,241

Church Repairs & Maintenance

					Tota	l
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	_	_	_	_	_	_
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	_	_	_	_	_	_
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total		_	_	_	_	_

Hall Repairs & Maintenance

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	_	_	_	_	_	
2820 - Hall + major repairs -		_	_		_	_
installation						
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior		_	_		_	_
decorating						
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	_	_	_	_	_	_
Total	_	_	_	_	_	_

New Building work

					Total		
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year	
2901 - New building parsonage	_	_	_	_	_	_	
house							
2910 - New building house for curate	_	_	_	_	_	_	
2920 - New building Church	_	_	_	_	_	_	
2930 - New building Hall	_	_			-	_	
Total	_	_	_	_	_	_	

Governance Costs

						Total	
	U	Inrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee		_	_	_	_	_	_
	Total	_	_	<u> </u>	_	_	_

Timothy A Best

Long View

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Date 13th March 2021

Dear Trish,

Parochial Church Council of Perranarworthal.

I have examined the original documents and records of accounts for the year ending 31st December 2020 to a Trial Balance of £88,455.and showing an asset value of £58,289.

I am pleased to report that I find the accounts to be a true and accurate representation of the financial position of the St Pirans PCC and commend yourself and Mrs Annie Hewitt on the work over the year.

Yours sincerely,

Tim Best

Churchwardens Report

It has been an extraordinary year on many fronts.

The 8 Saints Cluster has been broken up. It was finally recognised as having been too large, with many concomitant administrative and practical deficiencies and far too much stress on many people. Early in the year we submitted a joint proposal with Feock and Devoran churches, the intention of which was to form a group of three churches, in one benefice. This breaks historic ties with Stithians and the more recent 8 Saints Cluster.

There have been many hours of discussion and deliberation involving the 3 churches and the Archdeacon. The outcome is The Waterside Churches. The details of taking it forward will appear in the next Annual Report, but some information is included below as an afternote.

We are still in the midst of the Coronavirus battle, which has brought many challenges for everybody. We were closed completely for many months but have started to re-emerge to a changed world. We now have to wear face coverings in church at all times, we cannot sing, hand sanitizer is everywhere. There has had to be a one-way system indicated by arrows on the floor and the church has to be re-set after each event to ensure we are Covid secure. Social distancing has been the order of the day. It has caused a great deal of extra work and will do so for a long time to come. We are grateful to everybody for co-operating with the restrictions. We hope we have made our church as safe and welcoming as possible during this stressful time.

These two issues have dominated the year. The striking thing must be just how we have come together and supported each other in so many ways. We are blessed with a special congregation and we shall surely emerge stronger and more united.

Maintenance work has had to continue despite everything. One example is that all gutters and downpipes at the church and the church hall have been cleaned out and this will be an annual commitment.

We wish to thank all the clergy and lay leaders who led our worship throughout the year. Our special thanks must be extended to Janet Thomas, who has made sure we emerge from lockdown in a meaningful and prayerful way.

Our grateful thanks are also extended to so many of the congregation who reliably assist with all the tasks required to keep the church, hall and grounds clean, well maintained and ready. It is important to recognise the commitment of people who continue to give generously both of their time and money. Without this we could not maintain or improve our lovely church. We must give a special mention to Trish, who continues to look after the finances with expertise. We know just how many hours she gives to it and it is very much appreciated. Also, thanks to Jacqui for her continued work as Secretary in what has often been a confusing year. The Wardens would also like to thank the PCC for its support.

Our Methodist friends have been worshipping with us for some years now and there is a real feeling of harmony and friendship in our integrated congregation. That strength and unity will stand us in good stead as we move forward into our new 3 church group.

The pandemic has meant that we have not been able to deal with the fact that our young people have moved on. It will be an area of development that we'll have to concentrate on within our new venture, as it is surely time for us to tackle this issue with vigour. There is an obvious opportunity within the new grouping.

The fundraising team has been hampered by the strictures caused by the pandemic. Tim and Lorraine's Lunches are on hold. However, book sales and the plant sale defied Coronavirus. Without the funds raised by the team, and supported by all, our finances would be far less healthy. Thanks must go to all who helped in any way with all of these. We are grateful to everybody who donated so generously in all sorts of ways. Without this the church would be in a very different situation. It is also important to note that the pandemic has caused a drop in income as plate collections stopped during lockdown. We must thank all who have found other ways to help with income.

David Simons Paul Stuart

Tower Secretary's Report

2020 commenced with our band membership numbering 8 adults and 1 junior. We also welcomed regular visitors to the bell chamber, which enabled us to ring regularly at Tuesday evening practices, and for Sunday and special services.

In January 2020 we rang for a funeral service. However, due to the pandemic restrictions, ringing was curtailed country-wide, and we last met to ring for Sunday service on 15th March 2020. Since that time Alun Thomas has been chiming a single bell prior to any allowed church services.

We are grateful to all the members of the band for their continued support. We hope we will be able to meet and ring again when pandemic restrictions allow

Christiana Hancox 17th March 2021

Church Organ and Choir Report

I am sad to say we have not been able to sing in Church for the past twelve months, I am sure we are all looking forward to meeting each other again.

The Organ has been regularly maintained by Lance Foy, I have played it recently and it is sounding really good.

Juliet Dundon.

Perran-ar-Worthal Handbell Ringers

This year [2020] has been sad. We rang a couple of times before the lockdown, but since then the handbells have not seen the light of day.

Alun and I did ring a tune outside on Thursdays for the N.H.S. and key workers. Hopefully 2021 will be an opportunity to get back together again.

Janet Thomas

Perranwell Christian Fellowship

2020 began with plans for Lent Lunches and Lent Studies. Our Lent Lunch charities were Guide Dogs and Sight Savers. We managed two Lent Lunches before lockdown, consequently we were only able to make a small donation to each charity but let them know that we would support them again sometime in 2021.

Our Lent Study was based on the musical "Jesus Christ Superstar" and also only lasted for two sessions. Some of us joined in an Advent course organised by Jonathan Rowe. Sadly, we have been unable to get together, but have kept in touch by email and telephone.

We look forward to meeting again sometime later in 2021.

Janet Thomas

Fund Raising and Social Report

The fundraising team are Jacqui Hopwood, Veronica Eccleston, Heather McCombie, Janet Thomas, Tricia Wilcocks, Ann Rawlinson, David Simmons, Paul Stuart, Lorraine and Tim Rogers.

The year started as normal, and we were grateful to receive money from fundraising lunches held in 2019 amounting to £1400 and for sale of books which were raised for the Fabric Fund. However, in March the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic meant we were in lockdown and all planned fundraising and social events ceased apart from the Plant Sale which was managed by online and phone orders and the money raised went to the General Fund to support Mission and Ministry. There were also some individual donations. My sincere thanks to all the fundraisers and everyone who has helped in any way.

We raised approximately £2.500 in 2020.

Fundraising may have to be very different in 2021 if lockdowns and social distancing continue. We will need to look at alternative ways of raising the money that we will need to cover Mission and Ministry costs.

Patricia Wilcocks February 2021

Deanery Report

Because of Covid restrictions there have been no physical meetings of the Deanery Synod since the last AGM. Up until November your representatives were kept updated by quarterly emails from Carnmarth North on Deanery finances and parish MMF payments in particular.

With the formation of the Waterside Churches, however, Perranarworthal has now formally left that Deanery, and will henceforth be part of the Powder Deanery (of which Devoran and Feock were already members). We look forward to working with them the future. Our new Rural Dean, Marc Baker, has already attended one zoom meeting of the PCC.

Rosemary Aitken and David Simmons.

Church Flowers

The flower team ceased putting fresh flowers in the Church in Lent 2020, when the Church was closed. During the brief time that services were permitted, an arrangement of artificial flowers was placed in the sanctuary.

Jane Halford March 2021

Tuesday Work Party

Work continued, when the first lockdown was lifted, with sensible precautions being taken by all concerned. Our numbers increased during the year, our group having been joined by Zelonie, who drives in regularly from Playing Place. It is hoped to resume work each week as soon as possible.

Anon March 2021

Coffee Stop

Sadly, it has been impossible for people to meet each week on a Thursday morning, and we know how much people have missed this social occasion. Zoom meetings started in January and about a dozen people spend a happy hour in general discussion about all manner of subjects. We anticipate returning to the Village Hall, as soon as regulations permit.

The Team March 2021

'Vicar's Report' for The Waterside Churches' APCMs

This is not, technically, a 'Vicar's Report', of course. But here are some of things that have happened since our last APCMs.

Worship

When we last met, we did so between covid lockdowns, adhering to the relevant restrictions. These have continued, affecting how we conduct services which, notably, do not include singing. The three Waterside Churches have adopted different approaches to opening during the week for private prayer and re-starting communal worship. This allows everyone to join in as they feel comfortable. During the hiatus in Sunday services, a short service at home outline with prayers, Bible readings and reflections was distributed each week. And many people accessed online services or tuned into the BBC.

When all three churches have weekly services more service leaders will be needed and so it's good to report that over the last few weeks a number of people have offered to serve us in this way.

Community

At the beginning of the second lockdown, The Waterside Churches acquired a Zoom account, which has been put to good use. Because we could not meet together, we have thought about how to connect online, with a weekday 'Coffee Stop', on Friday evening with drinks and 'after church' on Sunday morning. These were very successful and have helped members of all three churches get to know each other.

Sadly, we have lost notable members of our communities during the last few months with their funerals taking place in church or at Penmount. Please join me in continuing to pray for their families.

On a more joyful note, we were able to celebrate a baptism in St John & St Petroc's just after Christmas. And now that the restrictions on weddings are easing, several couples are looking forward to their ceremonies over the summer.

Learning

We have run both an Advent and Lent course for the three churches on zoom. The Advent course used Tom Wrights' *Advent for Everyone*; the Lent course, Hannah Steele's *Living the Story*. The latter was commended to churches by the Archbishop of Canterbury and explores what it means to share our faith in Jesus Christ. Do take a look if you were not able to join us.

Transition

We continued with work to appoint a new priest (a process called a 'transition'). The Transition Team, especially the wardens and a couple of others, worked with Ian Alford, our Transitions Advisor, negotiating future governance arrangements and the wording of the advert, etc. with the Archdeacon. The result was an agreement that The Waterside Churches will retain their PCCs and establish a Joint Council. The advert has now been published and we await the result of the appointment process.

Safeguarding

It's really important that we take safeguarding children and vulnerable adults seriously and that people are properly trained when that's required. It's good to know, therefore, that all three churches have done work in this area to make sure all training is complete and records up to date.

Administration

When the Waterside Churches and the other parishes in the old Eight Saints cluster decided to create two benefices at the end of November 2020, the administrative side of things also changed. We currently have a volunteer administrator who works alongside one of the churchwardens. This arrangement will be reviewed when a new vicar is appointed.

Another change has been new email addresses and a fresh website created by Paul Stuart of St Piran's.

Thanks

With my thanks to all who do so much for The Waterside Churches and in the service of the Gospel of Jesus Christ – which is why we exist as churches at all.

With every blessing.

Revd. Dr Jonathan Rowe Curate The Waterside Churches St Feock, St Piran's, St John & St Petroc