THE RECTORIAL BENEFICE OF COWBRIDGE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Registered Charity 1131497



ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

Part of the Church in Wales in the Diocese of Llandaff

The Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting held on Sunday 28th April 2019 at Holy Cross Parish Church.

The Chairman welcomed those attending from the congregations of the Benefice to its twenty sixth Annual Vestry Meeting.

Apologies were received from: Mr. J. Homfray, Mr. G. Williams, Mrs. P. Harris, Mrs S. Cox, Mr S. Lloyd, Rev'd D. Boult.

Minutes of the previous Annual Vestry meeting:

The Minutes of the meeting of 29th April 2018 were accepted on the proposition of Mr. H. Jarvie, seconded by Mr P Davies and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters arising from the minutes:

There were no matters arising.

P.C.C. Annual Report & Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018:

The acceptance of both the Annual Report and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2018 was proposed by Mrs C. Mangles and seconded by Mr D. Crompton. These were accepted unanimously.

The Chairman expressed thanks to Mr D.L. Jones and Mrs C. Bird for the work achieved in producing the Financial Statements and the adoption of the new reporting platform.

Elections:

Mr H. Perks was elected as Parish Warden.

Mr P. Davies was appointed as Parish Warden.

The following were elected as Members of the Parochial Church Council:

Mrs C. Mangles - St Mary Church

Mr D. Crompton - Flemingston

Mr J Homfray - Llanfrynach

Mr J.P.R. Williams - Llansannor

Mrs S. Sargent - Ystradowen

Mr G. Williams - Llangan

Mr S. Lloyd - St Mary Hill

Mrs P. Harris - Penllyn

Mrs S. Cox - Llanblethian

Mrs B Harding - Holy Cross

Mr D. Addison - Llandough

Mr J. Williams - St Hilary

The Chairman expressed thanks to Mr R. Hensby for his work as PCC member for Llandough over many years.

Mrs B. Harding, Mr J. Williams and Mrs M. Layton Matthews were appointed as Deanery Conference members.

Mrs M. Layton Matthews was appointed as Diocesan Conference member.

Confirmation of appointment of an Independent Examiner:

Mr D. L. Jones advised that our current Independent Examiner is A.D. Fitzgerald & Walker and there have been no problems experienced with this Company. The continuing appointment of A.D. Fitzgerald & Walker was proposed by Mr H. Jarvie and seconded by Mr P. Davies. The proposal was accepted unanimously.

Any Other Business:

Church Review – an updated report was issued to all on the work of the Church Review. The Chairman explained the work achieved thus far. The ongoing actions will now be taken forward by the Standing Committee.

Telling a Joyful Story – The Chairman advised that great success has been seen recently at Ystradowen with the reestablishment of a Sunday school run by 6 local mums.

Curate – The Chairman expressed congratulations to Curate Suzanne on her new appointment as Team Vicar of the Parish of Aberkenfig. He advised how proud we are as a Parish of what Suzanne has achieved and wished her the very best when she takes up her new role in early Summer.

Students - The Chairman confirmed that Mrs G. Oglesbee will continue to support the Parish with services and she will be ordained deacon next year, we are grateful for that that she has brought to the parish. The Chairman advised that in September we will be joined by Theology Student Ian Yemm. Ian has held many roles including Co-ordinating Chaplain to the University of the West of England (Bristol). He will visit the Parish in the coming months.

Retired Clergy - The Chairman thanked Reverend D. Boult, Reverend N. Williams, Reverend I. Thomas, Canon P. Coleman, Canon R. Doxsey and Reverend M. Wishart for their invaluable support in taking services across the Benefice.

Church Coordinators – A meeting of all Coordinators will be held Thursday 16th May at 6:30pm in Llanblethian Church. This meeting will be held by Mr P. Davies and Mr H. Perks without clergy in attendance.

The Meeting closed with prayers at 12.30 pm.

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REFERENCE & ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

The Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales; registered number 1131497.

The Benefice parish is centred on the old market town of Cowbridge, in the Vale of Glamorgan Deanery, and is part of the Church in Wales Diocese of Llandaff. The twelve Churches which make up the Parish are:

Holy Cross Parish Church, Cowbridge

- St. John the Baptist, Llanblethian
- St. Dochdwy, Llandough
- St. Hilary, St. Hilary
- St. Mary, St. Mary Church
- St. Michael and all Angels, Flemingston
- St. Senwyr, Llansannor
- St. John the Evangelist, Penllyn
- St. Owain, Ystradowen
- St. Brynach, Llanfrynach
- St. Canna, Llangan
- St. Mary, St Mary Hill

The Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge Parish Office is in Holy Cross Parish Church, Church Street, Cowbridge, CF71 7BB, tel: 01446 772302.

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/cowbridgeparish/

The names and addresses of the Incumbent, Independent Examiner, Bankers and other professional Advisors, together with the names of PCC Members who have served in the year ending 31st December 2020, and on the date this report was approved (including details of any parochial office held), and details of the custodian trustees who held parish property and investments in the year ending 31st December 2021, and on the date this report was approved, are shown on page 7.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body. The PCC is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedure and powers are regulated by the Constitution. Before assuming office, every member of the PCC must sign a declaration that they will be bound by the Constitution, which provides that the members of the PCC shall be:

- · The Incumbent, Vicars and Assistant Curates;
- · A Church Warden for the whole Parish appointed by the Incumbent at the Annual Vestry Meeting (AVM);
- · A Sub-Warden for each Church if appointed by the Incumbent at the AVM
- · A Church Warden for the whole Parish elected at the AVM;
- · A Sub-Warden for each Church if elected at the AVM;
- · Up to 25 lay members elected at the AVM;
- · Co-opted Secretary and Treasurer (if not already ex-officio or elected), plus up to 7 further co-opted members.

The constitution further provides that lay, communicant persons over the age of 16 may be entered on an Electoral Roll (subject to certain conditions) and that all such persons, so entered, are entitled to vote and to stand for election.

On 13th March 2017, The Rector and the PCC resolved

- (1) To suspend the appointment of Sub-wardens for each of the Benefice Churches.
- (2) That hereafter, each church congregational meeting shall nominate one person from the congregation of that church to be elected to The PCC at the Annual Vestry Meeting.

APPROVED by the Parochial Church Council of the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge on 13th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by Rev'd Stephen Adams, Rector.

Steph Adams Rector of Cowbridge

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OBJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The Church in Wales is a province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission. Its calling is to nurture people in the faith of Jesus Christ and to aid them to grow in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, so that the good news of God's grace may be clearly proclaimed in the world and that God's Kingdom may be honoured and advanced.

Under the constitution, it is the PCC's duty to:

- · consult and co-operate with the incumbent in all matters of concern and importance to the Parish;
- · promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, in the Parish;
- · be responsible for the parochial budget and all expenditure thereunder;
- · care for and maintain church fabric and churchyards,
- · act on any other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution;
- · be the normal channel of communication between parishioners and the Diocesan Bishop.

The PCC is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have had due regard to that guidance when exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant. The PCC believes that it provides a benefit to the public, by:

- · fulfilling its duties detailed above;
- · providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers;
- · promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Churches in the Parish to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

PCC PROCEEDINGS & ACTIVITIES

General

The PCC met three times in 2020 (via Zoom) to deal with all matters concerning the Parish and consider reports from sub-committees to whom some activities are delegated.

Covid 19

The Covid 19 pandemic and resultant restrictions required all the churches of the Benefice to close from mid-March 2020, with the suspension of all face-to-face activities. Limited opening of some churches was possible during the summer with stricter restrictions being applied from the Autumn. The Clergy Team and Standing Committee of the PCC acted quickly to ensure compliance with the emerging situation. New forms of online worship and activities for children, an updated weekly newsletter, pastoral telephone calls and mailings to those without internet, being some of those activities.

Membership and attendance

There were 234 parishioners on the roll which was completed renewed in spring 2020 and approved by the PCC at its meeting of the 30th of June 2020 (2019: 264, 2018: 261, 2017: 263).

Communicants at Easter and Christmas in 2020 were nil due to the suspension of worship because of Covid 19 (2019: 285 & 292; 2018: 337 & 333).

It was not possible to calculate average adult weekly attendance during 2020 due to most churches being closed due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Average adult attendance, calculated in accordance with Diocesan guidelines was 2019: 171.79, 2018: 171.8, 2017:178.2. The Diocese will use these figures to calculate the parish share for 2022.

PCC FINANCES: UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Summary for 2020: Income and expenditure are detailed in the Statement of Financial Activities (page 9) and in the notes thereto. Total unrestricted income was £149,506 including one off Covid related grants and donations (compared with income of £184,222 in 2019, £186,390 in 2018). The reduction of income being due to the closure of most of our churches and cessation of fund raising for most of the year due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

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Parish Share (primarily to fund clergy stipends and oncosts eg. NI, pension, housing, supervision, etc, which provides our main mission resource) continues to be the major Parish expense and was £86,770. Covid relief grants amounting to £21,692 were received from the diocese reducing this cost to £65,078. Other unrestricted expenditure was reduced to £79,434 compared to a budget figure of £101,197 making total unrestricted expenditure of £144,512 (2019: £179,579 2018: 177,444). The main areas of savings being cost of ministry, maintenance of service, utilities, and general parish expenses.

The decreased income less decreased costs provide a surplus of £6,541 compared with a deficit budget of -£11,713. There was a net loss on revaluation of investments of -£165, making a total surplus for the year of £6,376.

This is a remarkable outcome given the extraordinarily uncertain circumstances prevailing during the year. Thanks are due to all those who have worked so hard, in so many ways, to ensure the mission of the Church in our Parish has endured.

Reserves policy and future prospects:

After adding the surplus for the year, the unrestricted fund balance to carry forward is £364,317, of which £142,346 represents tangible fixed assets, leaving £221,971 as free reserves (2019: £214,632 2018: £200,649).

The PCC reserve policy is to retain a balance of unrestricted "free" reserves, as working capital and to meet future shortfalls in income or unexpected expense, equal to at least six months expenditure. Clearly the balance detailed above represents considerably more than this target, but the PCC has concerns, which dictate continuing caution.

- · The PCC approved a budget for 2021 which shows a deficit of £33,679 (see page 16). This was based on the resumption of normal levels of income and expenditure from mid-2021. However, this seems unlikely with an indefinite timescale for the complete lifting of restrictions.
- The budget includes fund-raising provision, but the church communities report increasing difficulty to meet the targets with Covid further exacerbating this, and increasing calls to raise funds for quinquennial repairs.
- The Parish quinquennial repair liabilities are enormous (see page 6 church fabric) yet external fund resources become increasingly difficult to obtain. The PCC will therefore be obliged to meet an increasing proportion of such repair costs from its own funds. The PCC have already taken steps to mitigate, as far as possible, these ever-increasing costs by carefully considering the options available to them.

PCC FINANCES: DESIGNATED FUNDS

The proceeds from disposal of Llanfair Hall were set aside to fund extraordinary repairs and improvements to Parish churches. £224 in interest has been added to the fund in the financial period. The balance carried forward being £174,611 to fund further such extraordinary expenditure in the Parish, including quinquennial repairs.

The Llanblethian Church Hall fund is for the running and maintenance of the hall by a delegated Hall Management Committee. Activities this year have resulted in a deficit of -£6,612 due to loss of hire income and the Hall Committee taking the opportunity of the enforced closure due to Covid 19, to undertake work to the heating system, internal and external decoration, and other smaller items of general maintenance. The fund shows a year end balance of £14,372. The Hall is usually well used and a significant asset to the church as a means of community engagement. The Church Hall Management Committee are to be congratulated for their hard work and dedication.

Llanblethian Church is a beneficiary of the Evan Jenkins Trust to fund repairs to the church up to certain limits imposed by its trust deed. However, there are exclusions including new equipment and facilities. Fees for filming at Llanblethian have been set aside to deal with those quinquennial repair and improvement costs which may not be covered by the Evan Jenkins Trust; the balance carried forward is £8,999.

Mission Fund: At its meeting of 8th December 2020 the PCC agreed that in the event of a deficit of unrestricted funds, this fund can be used towards the cost of the Assistant Parish Treasurer. The Parish mission fund balance carried forward is £19,214.

PCC FINANCES: RESTRICTED FUNDS

Income and expenditure totals are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities on page 9 and in the accompanying notes; the movements on and details of each of the major funds is shown in note 19 to the Financial Statements. Charity law provides that the restricted fund balances carried forward may only be expended upon the purpose for which the funds were given.

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RISK ASSESSMENT

The PCC has reviewed the risks to its operations and is satisfied that they are mitigated in so far as the PCC has power to do so. The major risks are assessed as:

- · Compliance with complex UK law relative to premises and activities;
- · Maintenance of listed Parish churches and properties, which are expensive to repair;
- · Provision of leadership to maintain ministry and service to the community in the light of the PCC policy to maintain all the churches in the Parish and the limited capacity of its clergy.
- · Increasing demands re legal, financial and administrative matters which exceed volunteer capacity and skill set.
- · Budget control of expenditure and adequacy of financial systems.
- · The ability to maintain income sufficient to match increasing costs.

FUND INVESTMENT AND ADEQUACY

Restricted and designated fund balances are largely represented by on-demand deposits and current account bank balances. Free unrestricted reserves are represented by similar deposit and bank balances, plus investments, the latter being approximately equal to 35% of free unrestricted reserves at year end. The net yield on the listed investments including a loss on revaluation in 2020 was 1.75% based upon the end year value. The investments are described in note 12 to the Financial Statements.

CHURCH FABRIC

The PCC reviewed its priorities regarding the repair of it's buildings in light of the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic. The PCC noted there has been a drastic cut in the already limited funding available from external sources and it has become extremely difficult to contract the specialised trades people required for works to listed buildings. The PCC resolved the following:

Holy Cross Parish Church: regularisation of the current internal layout of Holy Cross by application for a faculty for the retention of the open space and carpet at the front of the Nave and the provision of 100 suitable stacking chairs. Discussions with the Diocesan Advisory Committee in this regard are ongoing.

St. Hilary Church: The architect has been asked to draw up a scheme to include the most urgent works to the tower capped at £80,000 + VAT. £50,000 is already available towards those works and the St. Hilary Church Committee have accepted the offer of a loan of £30,000 from the PCC to be repaid over 15 years. It is hoped that further funding will become available to cover the loan with extra work being added to the scheme as funding allows.

St. Mary Church: The architect has been asked to draw up a scheme for the most urgent works to the tower capped at £89,000 + VAT. Funding being available from the proceeds of the sale of Llanfair Church Hall and the St. Mary Church Building Fund.

Llanblethian Church. £64,000 is required; approval from the Evan Jenkins Charity has been given for a rolling programme of repairs over the next 3 to 5 years.

Llansannor Church. £19,000 of works noted in the Quinquennial Inspection are outstanding, the repairs to the ceiling have been completed.

Llandough Church is investigating the provision of a kitchen and toilet in the church which will require a faculty application in due course.

The PCC and Standing Committee have decided that churches need additional help and support in completing works required in the Quinquennial Inspections. The Benefice may need to make money available from Parish reserves rather than leaving the full costs to found by individual churches. The priority in this respect is work to St Hilary and St Mary Church tower.

APPROVED by the Parochial Church Council on 13th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by

Steph Adams Rector of Cowbridge

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PCC MEMBERS 1st JANUARY 2020 TO 30th MARCH 2021.

Rector/Incumbent Rev'd Stephen Adams

The Rectory, 85 Broadway, Llanblethian, CF71 7EY

Vicar Rev'd Victoria Ashley

Assistant Curate Rev'd Ian Yemm (from 30th June'20)

Rev'd David Boult Hon. Ass. Curate (co-opted)

Appointed by the Bishop in the absence of an Annual Vestry Meeting due to Covid 19

Parish Warden **Peter Davies** Parish Warden **Howard Perks**

David Crompton Flemingston Barbara Harding **Holy Cross** Andrea Harries **Holy Cross** Sue Cox Llanblethian

(to 8th Sept'20)

(From 8th Sept'20)

Duncan Addison Llandough John Homfray Llanfrynach John P.R.Williams Llansannor Pamela Harris Penllyn John Williams St Hilary Catherine Mangles St. Mary Church Ystradowen Shena Sarjeant Simon Lloyd St Mary Hill

Howard Pearson Marion Layton-Matthews Safeguarding Officer Others

> Stephanie Bonnar Secretary David Lloyd Jones Treasurer

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES Freehold property is held in trust for the Parish either by the Representative

Body of the Church in Wales (RB) or the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance. Investments are held in trust by the RB or in the names of the Rector and

Llangan

Churchwardens.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER Adey, Fitzgerald and Walker, Chartered Certified Accountants

The Pavilion, Eastgate, Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan

BANKERS HSBC Bank plc., 61 High Street, Cowbridge, CF7 7YJ;

> COIF Charities Deposit Fund, 80 Cheapside London, EC2V 6DZ NatWest Bank plc., Ely Valley Rd, Talbot Green, Pontyclun, CF72 8AL

Barclays Bank plc., 36 Dunraven Place, Bridgend, CF31 1HY

ARCHITECTS Caroe & Partners, Architects, Penniless Porch, Wells, Somerset, BA5 2RB

R&M Studio Ltd, The Maltings, East Tyndall Street, Cardiff. CF24 6EA.

Gillard Assoociates Architects, The Quay Pad, Cardiff Marina, Cardiff. CF11 0SY

HONORARY SOLICITORS Anthony and Jarvie, Solicitors, 6 Court Road, Bridgend, CF31 1BW

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the Financial Statements of the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge for the year ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on pages 9 to 15.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND EXAMINER

As the Parochial Church Council, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income did not exceed £500,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

It is my responsibility to:

- · examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- \cdot to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- · the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- · the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P. Walker, F.C.C.A.
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DATE: 17th May 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	THIS YEAR 2020							LAST YEA	R 2019		
	Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This Year	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Last Year
		Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total
INCOME FROM:		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations, legacies, etc.											
Planned giving,											
church collections											
donations, grants,		404 450		04.074		455.007	440.404		40.400		404 507
legacies, tax refunds	2	131,453		24,374		155,827	148,461		46,136		194,597
Charitable activities											
Fees for		0.477		C 422		0.040	0.074		F C00		44.750
weddings/funerals		2,477		6,433		8,910	6,074		5,682		11,756
Other trading activities											
Fund-raising,											
rental income		44.004	4 200	7 000		00 500	07.055	0.507	0.004		40.470
church hall income		14,281	1,320	7,899		23,500	27,655	6,597	8,924		43,176
Investments		4 005	25.7	700		0.400	0.000	4 000	4 007		4 044
Dividends and interest	1	1,295	357	780		2,432	2,032	1,292	1,287		4,611
Other income	3										
Other income	3										
		149,506	1,677	39,486		190,669	184,222	7,889	62,029		254,140
EXPENDITURE ON:											
Charitable activities	ha ah	urah									
Promoting the mission of t						70 220	98,385				00 205
Support for ministry	4 5	70,238 26,950	7,971	17,042		70,238 51,963		2,648	15,191		98,385 49,509
Church property			1,911					735			
Parish running costs Mission	6 7	47,048 145		3,760 646		50,808 791		/ 35	· ·		53,519
MISSION	′	144,381	7,971	21,448		173,800	179,235	3,383	10,193 29,785		10,990 212,403
Raising funds	19	132	1,911	27,138		27,270		3,303	29,765	0	634
realising range	.0	144,513	7,971	48,586		201,070		3,383	30,075		213,037
	ŀ	177,010	1,311	40,500		201,070	173,373	3,303	30,073		210,001
NET INCOME/(EXPENDIT	URE	4,993	(6,294)	(9,100)		(10,401)	4,643	4,506	31,954		41,103
Transfers between funds	19	1,548		(1,548)		0	1,000		(1,000)		0
		6,541	(6,294)	(10,648)		(10,401)	5,643	4,506	30,954		41,103
Gains / losses on											
investment assets	12	(165)				(165)	7,606				7,606
NET MOVEMENT IN FUN	DS	6,376	(6,294)	(10,648)		(10,566)	13,249	4,506	30,954		48,709
RECONCILIATION OF FU	NDS										
Balances brought forward		357,941	223,490	246,089	3,000	830,520	344,692	218,984	215,135	3,000	781,811
Balances carried forward	t t	364,317	217,196	235,441	3,000	819,954	357,941	223,490	246,089	3,000	830,520

The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of this statement

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

			THIS YEA	R 2020				LAST YE	AR 2019		
		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This Year	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowmen	Last Year
	Notes	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS											
Tangible assets	11	142,346				142,346	143,309				143,309
Investments	12	78,738	174,611		3,000	256,349	78,903	174,388		3,000	256,291
		221,084	174,611		3,000	398,695	222,212	174,388		3,000	399,600
CURRENT ASSETS											
Stocks	13	4,415				4,415	3,530				3,530
Debtors	14	14,551	340	6,710		21,601	22,136	335	5,979		28,450
Short term investments	15	11,714	38,688	217,747		268,149		43,554	229,007		272,561
Cash & bank balances		119,646	3,617	11,062		134,325	118,187	5,353	11,223		134,763
		150,326	42,645	235,519		428,490	143,853	49,242	246,209		439,304
LIABILITIES											
Creditors falling due											
within one year	16	4,593	60	78		4,731	5,624	140	120		5,884
NET CURRENT ASSETS		145,733	42,585	235,441		423,759	138,229	49,102	246,089		433,420
TOTAL ASSETS LESS											
CURRENT LIABILITIES		366,817	217,196	235,441	3,000	822,454	360,441	223,490	246,089	3,000	833,020
LIABILITIES											
Creditors falling due											
after one year	17	2,500				2,500	2,500				2,500
TOTAL NET ASSETS		364,317	217,196	235,441	3,000	819,954	357,941	223,490	246,089	3,000	830,520
FINDS											
FUNDS											
Endowment	18				3,000	3,000				3,000	3,000
Restricted income	19			235,441		235,441			246,089		246,089
Designated unrestricted	20		217,196			217,196		223,490			223,490
Unrestricted funds		364,317				364,317	357,941				357,941
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] [364,317	217,196	235,441	3,000	819,954	357,941	223,490	246,089	3,000	830,520

The notes on pages 11 to 15 form part of this Balance Sheet

APPROVED by the Parochial Church Council on 13th April 2021. and signed on its behalf by Rev'd Stephen Adams, Rector

Steph Adams Rector of Cowbridge

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. Accounting policies

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements, are as follows

a. Basis of preparation

The Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge Parochial Church Council is a charity registered with the Charity Commision for England and Wales (Reg. No. 1131497) and is a Public Benefit Entity within the meaning of the accounting standard FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, the Church In Wales Accounting Regulations, the applicable accounting standard (FRS102) and the Charities SORP based thereon, except as may be detailed in the following notes.

b. Preparation of Financial Statements on a going concern basis

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has no reason to believe that the Parish will not remain a going concern for the foreseeable future and the Financial Statements have been prepared on this basis.

c. Funds accounting

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the Parish. Designated funds are unrestricted funds of the Parish which the PCC has decided at their discretion to set aside for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are donations given by the donor, or invited by the PCC, for a specific purpose, and may only be expended on those purposes; unspent balances must be carried forward and only spent on those specific purposes.

d. Income is accounted for gross.

Income is generally recognised when the PCC is entitled to the funds, there is sufficient certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured reliably. Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised as soon as the amounts are claimable. Dividends are accounted for when receivable; interest is accrued. Where the PCC has not invested separately for each fund, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

e. Expenditure is accounted for gross.

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment, it is probable that a payment will be made and the amount can be measured reliably. Parish Share is paid regularly and is included in expenditure for the year to which it relates. Unrestricted fund grants (including donations to missions) are recognised when determined by the PCC. Amounts received specifically for missions are dealt with as restricted funds and the liability for payment is recognised when the amounts are received.

f. Churches Churchyards and Vicarages are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales, and are not Parish assets. Moveable Church contents (plate, furniture, etc) are inalienable property and require a faculty for disposal. They are recorded in the Church Terrier log. Many are historic for which no reliable cost basis exists. They are not recognised in the Balance Sheet. Expenditure on Churches (including contents), Churchyards and Vicarages is written off when incurred.

g. Property and investments held by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales

The Representative Body of the Church in Wales (RB) hold freehold property and investments on behalf of the PCC in trust, which provides that upon disposal, the proceeds may be applied by the PCC for charitable church purposes. Since the Parish is economically responsible for the properties and is solely concerned with the risks and rewards that relate both to the properties and the investments, it is the PCC view that the accounting principle of substance over form should be applied and that the properties and investments should be included in the Balance Sheet.

h. Freehold Property

All freehold property with the exception of Llansannor Hall is held by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales (RB) on trust as described above. The freehold of Llansannor Hall is held by the Llandaff Diocesan Board of Finance. The bases for the valuation of freehold property is shown in note 11.

Routine additions and replacements to Church Hall contents are charged to current expenditure. Except for the dimunition in value of the land at Ystradowen (see note 11), no provision is made for depreciation of freehold property on the basis that with the possible exception of Leoline Close, the amounts included in the balance sheet probably represent no more than the value of the land, so no depreciation charge is appropriate. For Leoline Close, the excess of cost over the probabable value of the land, is such that any resultant depreciation charge spread over the economic life of the property is immaterial.

- i. Office and other Equipment is stated at cost and written off by depreciation over four years.
- j. Investment assets are stated at mid-market values on the balance sheet date and are detailed in note 12.
- **k. Stocks** are measured at the lower of cost or market value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (continued)

	Unrestricted £	This year Designated £	Restricted £	Total £	Unrestricted £	Last year Designated £	Restricted £	Total £
Donations, legacies. etc. Planned giving Loose collections Donations and other voluntary income Goods for re-sale at cost	78,091 10,870 14,338		646 18,156	,	34,351		1,085 9,794 25,902	77,186 44,145 35,129
Grants Government (NI & LDBF grants) Lottery & Local Authority Other	5,941		5,042	10,983	2,920		7,800	10,720
Tax refunds Gift Aid GASDS	19,838 2,375		530	2,375	7,686		1,485 70	19,661 7,756
	131,453		24,374	155,827	148,461	0	46,136	194,597
3. Other income								
								0
					0			0
4. Support for ministry								
Ministry support								
Parish share of diocesan costs	65,078			65,078	, -			88,482
Parochial expenses of clerics Other ministry costs	4,553 607			4,553 607	7,753 2,150			7,753 2,150
Other ministry costs	70,238		0	70,238	98,385			98,385
5. Church property								
Maintenance of churches Maintenance of other property	25,988 962		11,027 6,015	- ,	*		9,552 5,639	40,714 8,795
Repairs Leoline Close Curate House	302	1,311	0,013	14,340	300	2,040	3,039	0,193
·	26,950	7,971	17,042	51,963	31,670	2,648	15,191	49,509
6. Parish running costs Parish administrator	37,982 7,553		3,690	37,982 11,243	,		4,401	36,738 14,516
General parish expenses Maintenance of services, music, etc.	1,513		70	1,583				2,265
, ,	47,048	0		50,808	48,383			53,519
7. Missions				•				
Home / World Parish	145		646	0 791	797		10,193	10,990
. 3	145		646	791	797		10,193	10,990

	This year	Last year
8. Independent Examination Fees		
Fees for reporting on the Financial Statements	540	510
9. Employees		
Gross wages and salaries	39,409	37,904
Employer's national insurance costs	2,994	2,861
Pension contributions (not a defined benefit scheme)	4,561	4,360
Total staff costs	46,964	45,125
Average number of staff employed: Full time	1	1
Part time	2	2
Number of employee receiving emoluments (excluding employer pension costs) of more than £60,000	Nil	Nil
10. Payments to trustees (PCC members) - Related party transactions		
Parish clergy are ex officio PCC members; an insignificant amount of expenses		
paid to them as clergy may relate to their duties as PCC members.		
Expenses paid to PCC members (other than clergy)	Nil	Nil
Other transactions with PCC members	Nil	Nil
The Parish Administrator is the PCC Treasurer, as such is a PCC member. His total benefits were	37,964	36,533

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (continued)

. Tangible fixed assets		Unre	estricted	Restricted	Total
		Freehold	Equipment	Equipment	
		property			
		£	£	£	£
Cost or valuation:	Balance 1st January	145,12°	16,040	2,013	163,174
	Additions at cost				
	Disposal at Cost				
	Balance 31st December	145,12	16,040	2,013	163,174
Accumulated depreciation:	Balance 1st January	3,535	14,317	2,013	19,865
•	Depreciation for Year	,	963	,	963
	Depreciation on Disposal				0
	Balance 31st December	3,53	15,280	2,013	20,828
Net book value 1st January		141,586	5 1,723	0	143,309
Net book value 31st December		141,580	760	0	142,346
FREEHOLD PROPERTY used (see note 1(viii) and 1(ix))	in connection with the direct purposes of	of the Parish, compri	ses:		£
Llanblethian Church I	Hall (inc. Contents)	PCC val	uation 31 I	Dec.1996	40,000
	lansannor Church Hall	PCC val	uation 31 [Dec.1996	15,000
Curate's House, Leoli	ne Close	Net cost			86,586
Land at Ystradowen		Net cost			3,535
					145,121

No reliable cost information exists for Llanblethian Hall or the freehold interest in Llansannor Hall. In accordance with accounting standard FRS102, they are included at "deemed historical cost" being the values existing at the time the accounting standard FRS102 was first applied to the Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge Parochial Church Council financial statements.

The Llansannor Church Hall site is leased for 20 years to the Llansannor Community Hall Association, who have built a hall on the site. The Church retains exclusive use of the hall on Sundays and for one evening per week. The PCC cannot dispose of the freehold without Diocesan consent, and the reservation of time for use by the church, together with its use as a community hall with similar purposes to those of a church hall, suggest that its use in connection with church purposes has not changed.

The land at Ystradowen was consecrated as an extension to the Churchyard during 2011; as such it has no value for the PCC and full provision for diminution in value has been made.

12. Investment fixed assets	Unrestricted	Listed	Investment	Cash for	Е	ndowment	Nat Savings
		investments	properties	investment	TOTAL		Bond
		£	£	£			£
Fair market Value at 1st January		72,659	6,244	174,388	253,291		3,000
Interest				223	223		
Net gains/(losses) on revaluation		-165			-165		
Fair market value at 31st December		72.494	6.244	174.611	253.349	1	3.000

Investment properties include land at the junction of Broadway and Castle Hill, Llanblethian, valued at cost of fencing and establishing title, etc. Its current fair value is difficult to determine; the PCC believes the cost of obtaining a valuation outweighs any benefit. The property is held by the RB - see note 1g).

The Representative Body of the Church in Wales holds for the Parish a small plot of land at Ystradowen known as Ystradowen Hall (see note 1g. No cost information is available and in its present state it probably has little value; it is therefore recognised as an investment property but with no value.

Listed investments, included above at 31st December 2020, include

10,840 M & G Charibond Distribution Units (held in the name of the incumbent and church wardens). 29,661 Church in Wales Common Investment Fund shares (held by the RB - see note 1g)). £3,000 National Savings Bond.

The cash for investment represents the proceeds from the sale of Llanfair Hall, plus accumulated interest, (held by the RB - see note 1g) which awaits a PCC decision of when and how it should be invested.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (continued)

13. Stocks comprise office stationery, wine and altar breads, candles and heating oil stocks.

	This year							
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
14.Debtors								
Parish share rebate due	4,567			4,567	4,657			4,657
Fees and other trading debtors	1,196			1,196	2,277		1,104	3,381
Prepayments	490	340		830	327	335		662
Other debtors	8,298		6,710	15,008	14,875		4,875	19,750
	14,551	340	6,710	21,601	22,136	335	5,979	28,450
15. Current Asset Investments								
On call deposit accounts	11,714	38,688	217,747	268,149	0	43,554	229,007	272,561
16. Creditors falling due in one year								
Accruals	1,469	47		1,516	2,053			2,053
Other creditors	3,124	13	78	3,215	3,571	140	120	3,831
	4,593	60	78	4,731	5,624	140	120	5,884
17. Creditors falling due after one year Church in Wales loan re Leoline Close,								
interest free, repayable on disposal.	2,500			2,500	2,500			2,500

18. Endowment Funds

The documents determining the purpose of a £3,000 bequest by Mrs Thompson cannot be traced; it is believed that the income is for general purposes; £34 income has been credited to unrestricted funds (*last year £31*).

19. Restricted income funds		Balance B/F	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance C/F
Name	Purpose	£	£	£	£	£
Missions	Support of external missions	155	647	646		156
DM Jones Memorial Fund	Historic Fabric of Holy Cross	5,014	17			5,031
Holy Cross	Church restoration	60,249	238	2,768		57,719
Holy Cross Piano	Maintenance of grand piano	1,350	5			1,355
Llanblethian Church	Repairs and maintenance	4,468	495			4,483
Llanblethian Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	12,819	3,433	3,640		12,612
Llanblethian sound system	Provision/maintenance	476	2			478
Llandough Church & Churchyard	Repairs and maintenance	3,714	236	960		2,990
St Mary Church	Repairs and maintenance	14,430	49	14		14,465
St Mary Church Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	3,591	12			3,603
St. Hilary Church	Repairs and maintenance	20,213	656	873		19,996
St. Hilary Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	2,973	1,724			4,697
St Hilary water supply	Provision of water supply	3,478	12			3,490
St Hilary Altar requisites	Altar furnishings etc	430	1			431
Flemingston Church	Repairs and maintenance	4,239	65			4,304
Flemingston Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	7,232	224	680		6,776
Llansannor Church	Repairs and maintenance	2,229	8			2,237
Penllyn Church	Repairs and maintenance	13,344	44	939		12,449
Llanfrynach Church	Repairs and maintenance	4,605	16			4,621
Llanfrynach Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	2,718	9			2,727
Llangan 100 Club	Maintenance St Canna	5,893	681	110		6,464
Llangan Friends	Maintenance St Canna	5,266	2,064		648	-,
Llangan Building	Maintenance St Canna	3,555	12			3,567
Llangan Old School Room	Llangan community project	2,917	2,238	480		4,675
Llangan Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	1,375	1,447			2,822
St Mary Hill Building	Repairs and maintenance	34,785	118			34,903
St Mary Hill 100 Club	Maintenance St Mary Hill	85	850		900	35
Syrian Refugee Project	Croeso Cowbridge Project	13,544	13,484	27,028		0
St Mary Hill Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	4,006	1,425	700		4,731
Ystradowen Church	Repairs and maintenance	3,170	3,974	3,963		3,181
Ystradowen Churchyard	Churchyard maintenance	1,043	1,366	1,355		1,054
Transition Grant	Accounts Assistant	88	3,602	3,690		0
Other small funds - 12 balances at 31 I	December	2,635	332	260		2,707
		246,089	39,486	48,586	1,548	235,441

The Llangan and St Mary Hill 100 Clubs are for the general maintenance and upkeep of St Canna and St Mary respectively; the transfers from these restricted funds to unrestricted funds is to cover the excess of expenditure over income for these churches for the year.

The Syrian Refugee Project is administered by Croeso Cymru and the total fund £27,028 was transferred to them in December 2020.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020 (continued)

20. Designated funds

Name
Llanblethian hall
Llanblethian Church
Parish mission
Llanfair Hall proceeds
Sup

Purpose Running and maintenance Repair, maintenance and improvements Parish mission and outreach Support major repairs in all churches

Balance B/F	Income	Expenditure	Iransfers	Balance C/F
£	£	£	£	£
20,984	1,359	7,971		14,372
8,969	30			8,999
19,150	64			19,214
174,387	224			174,611
223,490	1,677	7,971		217,196

Llanblethian Church Hall is operated on behalf of the PCC by the Llanblethian Church Hall Committee with whom they have a management agreement. Covid 19 restricted their activities during 2020 resulting in reduced hire income. The enforced closure created the opportunity to undertake some renovation work including upgrading the Heating system, internal and external decoration and other smaller items of general maintenance.

Filming fees from previous years at Llanblethian church produced unexpected income; the PCC has determined to set these fees aside to finance improvements to the church not covered by the Evan Jenkins Charity.

The Parish mission fund represents funds originally intended for a Church Army Evangelist, which since have been released by the donor to the PCC for general mission purposes. At its meeting of 8th Dec 2020 the PCC agreed that in the event of a deficit of unrestricted funds this fund may be used towards the cost of the assistant parish treasurer.

The proceeds from the disposal of Llanfair hall have been set aside as a designated fund to meet extraordinary costs of repair and improvement of the church buildings in the Parish, all of which are listed buildings and some of which require urgent repair following quinquennial inspection.

21. TRUST FUNDS

The Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge has become the successor sole beneficiary of trusts in respect of which the Representative Body of the Church in Wales are the trustees. Income, which is received regularly and automatically from a number of these trusts was immaterial. For others, application has to be made for payments out of accumulated income to match expenditure incurred on those items covered by the purposes of the trusts. In 2018 the PCC made no such application.

The funds at the end of the year in respect of which the Benefice is the beneficiary are:

Name: Object:

Chancel Repair Fund Repair of Llanblethian chancel ,, ,, ,, ,, Repair of St Mary Hill chancel

Miss S.M. Carden dec'd Maintenance of graves, Llanblethian churchyard

Mrs. C.A. Williams dec'd

Miss V.A. Morgan dec'd

Church Cottage, Aberthin
H.L. Phillips dec'd
J.W. Hall dec'd

Reparation and general upkeep, Llanblethian
Repair & maintenance Holy Cross, Cowbridge
Charitable church purposes, Holy Cross,

provided certain graves are maintained Lt. Col. C.T. Edmondes dec'd

Margaret Sole dec'd

David Mansel Jones Fund
Anonymous Gift
Mrs A G Jenkins dec'd

External maintenance/repair, Holy Cross Church
Charitable church purposes, Llanblethian
Charitable church purposes, Llangan

provided certain graves are maintained

Mrs M C Jones

Ms O R V Battrick Payment of Parish Share

St.John the Baptist, Llanblethian and St.Owain, Ystradowen are beneficiaries of the Evan Jenkins Charity whose primary objective for distribution of income is maintenance and repair of the tenor bell in the tower of Llanblethian church. Secondary objectives include the distribution of income for the repair of Llanblethian and Ystradowen churches.

RECTORIAL BENEFICE OF COWBRIDGE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

(Registered Charity Number 1131497)

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	YEARS ENDED 31 DECEMBER						
						BUDGET	
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
INCOME					1		
Stewardship	79,154	87,337	82,725	76,101	78,091	79,377	
Collections	22,631	25,143	34,256	34,351	10,870	12,605	
Donations, grants, etc.	10,462	18,104	10,552	12,147	20,279	19,870	
Tax refunds	23,555	28,207	27,449	25,862	22,213	23,004	
Funds generated	25,311	20,256	22,240	27,655	14,281	19,050	
Investment income	2,045	1,888	1,701	2,032	1,295	1,600	
Fees	7,155	9,627	7,467	6,074	2,477	5,046	
Insurance receipts, etc.		2,096					
TOTAL	170,313	192,658	186,390	184,222	149,506	160,552	
EXPENDITURE	04.040	25 522	25.222	22, 422	05.070	00 745	
Parish share	84,349	85,528	85,933	88,482	65,078	93,715	
Clerics and ministry expenses	11,673	10,487	11,299	9,903	5,160	16,367	
Church property costs	34,066	28,062	33,179	31,670	26,950	29,229	
Administrator	28,871	30,030	30,889	36,738	37,982	38,163	
General parish expenses	8,095	11,384	13,323	11,645	9,066	15,207	
Mission	2,225	2,181	2,310	797	145	1,550	
Cost of generating funds	2,073	566	511	344	132		
Insurance replacements							
TOTAL	171,352	168,238	177,444	179,579	144,513	194,231	
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)					1		
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	(1,039)	24,420	8,946	4,643	4,993	(33,679)	
Surplus on disposal of property	154,888						
Investment gains/(losses)	6,656	3,658	(2,980)	7,606	(165)		
	160,505	28,078	5,966	12,249	4,828	(33,679)	
Designated / restricted fund transfers	(194,888)	2,091	800	1,000	1,548		
Net addition / reduction of reserves	(34,383)	30,169	6,766	13,249	6,376	(33,679)	