

**ANNUAL REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

For the year ended 31st December 2022

**WELCOME TO THE
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

**23rd April 2023
St Michael's Church, Heckfield**

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REPORT from the RECTOR, the Rev'd Canon Dr Marion de Quidt
to the Parish of Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick

“Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures for ever.” Psalm 107.1

We have had a lively year with returning to near pre-covid activities in our villages. We have enjoyed our regular worshipping in the beautiful buildings that we care for. We have also enjoyed the outdoor events returning, especially at Easter and at Christmas time. We were privileged to join with National celebrations of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth's Jubilee, with a big Beacon lighting ceremony beginning with a packed service in Mattingley, then later with picnics and parties. When the sad time came at her passing, we had a book of condolence in Rotherwick Church, and church gatherings to honour her life of service. Thanks so much to our bellringing team who offered their skills for all the significant moments. We have returned to in-person assemblies in Whitewater School, to 'Open the Book' story-telling, whole school services in Rotherwick Church, whole school Christingle service in the school hall, and celebrations with Pumpkin Patch nursery school in Mattingley Church. We were delighted that Whitewater School has received the recognition it deserves in the Ofsted 'Good' inspection rating.

Our Church Wardens have served the parish tirelessly, with care of the buildings, the churchyards, and our parishioners. They are the eyes and ears that enable our life to flourish. Please do pray for them as they juggle work and family and church life. Our organist Richard Joyce has served HMR parishes for thirty years, for which we are immensely thankful. We are grateful that he will still be playing for us even with his reduced hours in 2023. We say a huge thank you also to Vivienne Alexander who has been our Mattingley Church Warden for twelve years, and cared for this exceptional church and village community throughout that time. Thank you to Andrew Soundy for his wisdom and support, continuing as Church Warden 'Emeritus' and only retiring at the end of 2022. In addition we are so grateful to the people in our church family and beyond who care so much that they volunteer their time for grass-cutting, flower-arranging, cleaning, bellringing, and pastoral visiting. It is delightful for us when we are able to host family events in our churches to honour the lives of those who have died, to celebrate weddings, blessings and christenings.

Our Benefice Ministry team has continued to meet monthly this year, to plan and serve across the Benefice, with Hook alongside Heckfield, Mattingley and Rotherwick. Thank you in particular to Jennifer Martin (Licensed Lay Minister, LLM) and Tim Maynes (LLM), who have faithfully led services in HMR. The Rev'd Peter Hewlett-Smith has continued to lead and preach throughout 2022 but will reduce commitments in 2023. We thank him for his continuing love for our villages and our people. Eliza Burridge has been a magnificent member of the team as she became our Benefice Administrator in April 2022.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to the dedication and love that the Rev'd Shona Hoad and husband Martin Hoad (LLM) have offered to us over four years. Much of their care will have gone without a fanfare of recognition, but we know how people have received encouragement at times of difficulty, as well as much laughter when sharing in joyful moments of our journeys. We shall miss them very much. We gave them a lovely final lunch party and gifts for their home in Cornwall, and we shall keep in touch.

In the coming year we shall seek a priest to join our team and to serve with a full-time focus on the villages of HMR. Please pray with us for the person of God's choice will become part of our future.

Marion de Quidt, Rector of the Whitewater Benefice.

Approval of HMR PCC of the Annual Report 2022 & signed on its behalf by Canon Marion de Quidt (Chairman) following the meeting on the 23rd April 2023.

M.E. de Quidt

BACKGROUND

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) of Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick (HMR) has responsibility for:

- promoting the whole mission of the Church within the ecclesiastical parish
- maintaining three churches (Heckfield, Mattingley & Rotherwick)
- maintaining four burial grounds and
- maintaining Mattingley Church Hall

The Parish of HMR is joined with the Parish of Hook to form The Benefice of Hook and Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick (known as The Whitewater Benefice), within which there are:

- four churches (Heckfield, Mattingley, Rotherwick and Hook)
- two PCCs: HMR and Hook

The Benefice has been under the care of The Rev'd Canon Dr Marion de Quidt, since April 26th, 2015.

The correspondence address of the Benefice is:

The Whitewater Benefice Office, St John's Church, London Road, Hook RG27 9EG.

MEMBERSHIP

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956; Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019. Since August 2009 it has been a charity registered with the Charities Commission: Registered Charity Number 1132735.

PCC members are appointed as per Church Representation Rules and all Church attendees are encouraged to put their names on the Church Electoral Roll and to consider standing for election to the PCC.

This Annual Report was approved by the PCC on Mon 3rd April 2023 and is signed on its behalf by Canon Marion de Quidt. During 2022 the following served as members of the PCC, which met seven times with an average attendance of 83%:

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| Rector, Chair | Rev'd Canon Dr Marion de Quidt |
| Assistant Priest | Rev'd Shona Hoad (to Jan 2023) |
| Churchwardens | James Trumpeter Vivienne Alexander Stephen Burridge Ian Kenny |
| Representatives on the Deanery Synod | Vacancy |
| Secretary | Vacancy |
| Treasurer | John Platt |
| Elected Members Member also Organist | Richard Joyce Andrew Soundy (Churchwarden Emeritus) (to Dec 2022) |
| Co-opted Members | None |

Electoral roll officer (not a PCC member): Ron O'Keeffe.

Safeguarding officer (Benefice): Martin Rudd (not a PCC officer).

Vergers (Benefice): Juliette Bromham, Patricia Hunter (not PCC members)

Other members of the Benefice ministry team who are not members of the PCC are: the Rev'd Peter Hewlett-Smith (Permission to Officiate, PTO, now retired); Jonathan Bushman (Licensed Lay Minister, LLM); Jennifer Martin (LLM, PTO); Martin Hoad (LLM), Timothy Maynes (LLM).

COMMITTEE

There were seven PCC meetings, two on zoom, five in person held in 2022. In addition to Church maintenance and worship patterns PCC discussions included the following topics: our financial stewardship, plans for the Queen's Jubilee, possible investment in an administrator for the Rector, in a new post for full-time stipendiary priest in 2023, support for the Bluebell Café at Heckfield, and an Easter and a Christmas card.

Canon Marion de Quidt

ELECTORAL ROLL AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

At the end of 2022 the number was 134 on the roll, with the breakdown as follows:

Number of females 77 (57%) and number of males 59 (44%).

Residence in the parish, 63 (47%) and non-resident in the parish 73 (54%).

I believe the relatively steady numbers is down to two factors: firstly, the three beautiful parishes we are fortunate to have within HMR and secondly the wonderful programme that Marion and Shona continued to offer.

R D O'Keeffe, Electoral Roll Office

WHITEWATER BENEFICE MINISTRY TEAM

Our team of licensed ministers has continued to meet monthly through the year, to listen to God together, to grasp the vision for Whitewater, share out roles and responsibilities, and to care for parishioners across the four churches: Hook, Heckfield, Mattingley and Rotherwick, and ministry in schools, nursing homes and in the community.

Our clergy team has been myself as Incumbent, the Rev'd Shona Hoad, as Assistant Priest based in Mattingley, and the Rev'd Peter Hewlett-Smith Retired Priest with Permission to Officiate (PTO). Our licenced ministry team (previously called 'Readers' now Licenced Lay Ministers (LLM)) has included Jonathan Bushman, Martin Hoad, Jennifer Martin and Tim Maynes. Alan Mabey has continued within our Hook worshipping community as a retired LLM with 'Emeritus' status. In our wider authorised ministry team we have those with Bishops' Commission for Mission (BCM), Shirley Clancy (pastoral), Stephen Davies (worship), Kim Foster (Creation Care), Rosie Mandry (worship), Brigitte Maynes (pastoral), Carol-Anne Morris (pastoral), and Nikki Wild (worship).

This team has been wonderfully stable for seven years, but sadly as we ended 2022 we said goodbye to Shona and Martin to Cornwall, and we reduced the commitments for Peter Hewlett-Smith and Rosie Mandry. In 2023 we shall include our Bishops Commission for Mission authorised ministers in termly meetings.

In HMR parish in 2022 we conducted 11 baptisms, 15 funerals of all varieties, 8 Weddings and 2 Wedding Blessing services. The ministry team and pastoral care team consider it our privilege to be involved in serving people at special times in their lives.

Thank you to our congregations who support us, advise us, and join Benefice teams to make things happen.

Canon Marion de Quidt

WORSHIP AND SERVICES

We returned to our familiar pattern of worship during 2022. The weekly morning 8.30am BCP communion continues to be well supported and some come to every church as it moves around the four villages (Hook on the first Sunday). Post covid, evensong is held once each month at Rotherwick, when the bell ringers are playing for us, and this is led by Tim Maynes and Jennifer Martin, both LLMs based in Hook. The later weekly morning service at 10.30am continued to offer Family Worship, Parish Communion, Matins or Morning worship throughout the year. In 2023 has moved to a later time to accommodate the whole benefice during the period of HMR interregnum.

Over the year we continued to hold the popular outdoor services to encourage as many people as possible to feel safe and therefore welcome. Rotherwick has been the focal point for the outdoor events and in this way we celebrated Easter and Harvest with local support. The Remembrance Day service with the Scouts and Cubs included the outdoor parade from the Village Hall and was a very successful way of marking Remembrance Sunday. The regular Remembrance Day service at Mattingley Bus Shelter was also well attended. At the beginning of December the Whitewater School Parent Teacher Association held an informal Carol service with refreshments in the church grounds for the second year running, and this feels like an established new pattern. Finally, we were delighted that we could offer 'Carols in the Barn' again after a long break due to covid. Thanks go to the team who set up and ran this in freezing temperatures at Moneys Farm, and to all the people who joined us for a memorable evening.

Shona's contribution to HMR has been enormous, and again I would like to say thank you to her for her dedication to the individual needs of our parishioners, for her home communions and home visits, and for her creativity in the outdoor services. Thank you too to Martin for his tireless support and his preaching.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Rector

CHURCHWARDENS

The Churchwardens have again been most diligent in carrying out their responsibilities regarding services and the fabric of the churches and our thanks go to them and their supporting Deputies and Sidesmen for all their work.

BENEFICE SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Both Hook & HMR PCC's have complied with their duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

In practice this means that the two PCCs have discussed and approved both (Hook & HMR) Parish Safeguarding Policies each year and received a report on current safeguarding concerns from the Benefice Safeguarding Officer or Incumbent at each PCC meeting.

PCC members have had DBS checks and regular training. The Incumbent and Safeguarding officer are confident that any safeguarding concerns raised have been dealt with in an appropriate way and PCCs have been informed and updated appropriately.

Martin Rudd, Benefice Safeguarding Officer

HEALTH & SAFETY

The Churchwardens continue to maintain the Health and Safety systems in each of their churches for compliance with Health and Safety legislation. There is a file of documentation in each church, and it was reviewed again by the PCC in 2022.

FABRIC REPORTS

St Michael's Church, Heckfield

It's been another year for St Michaels where we are again presented with opportunities aplenty to grow and overcome challenges. The year has seen the completion of the replacement of all the fencing surrounding the old cemetery on the main road; this has been completed in partnership with Heckfield Parish Council and looks much smarter than it did. In addition to this we have made progress with replacing all 3 gates that access the graveyard around the church itself. These are currently being hand made by a very talented local craftsman and will be hung during the coming months. Sadly, there has been a further incident where a delivery lorry (serving Highfield Park) has struck the boundary fence of the churchyard of St Michaels. This has resulted in severe damage to a portion of the wall adjacent to the east entrance gate, on the other side of the gates to where the damage occurred previously. Inevitably this will need to be repaired prior to the hanging of the new gates, as St. Michael's and the surrounding boundaries are listed there are obviously checks and balances necessary to ensure an appropriate repair is carried out. However, we hope very much to have the walls and all gates repaired and hung at the latest by the end of the summer of this year. We are very grateful indeed for the understanding and patience of our gate maker, Mr Burgelis, with regard to this unfortunate delay. St Michaels has been blessed with a gift of a beautiful and very old 17th Century 'Bishops Chest' which has previously been converted into a grand and attractive piece of furniture. This was a very kind gift from a parishioner in Hook and now graces the entrance to St Michael's church where it looks very handsome indeed.

We have managed to restore practice to a large degree that we had before the Covid Pandemic and one of these is a monthly 'Church Family Social'. This takes place on an evening in one of the local pubs (of which, you know we are spoilt for choice!). Not only is this an opportunity to plan for the HMR services but also, and very importantly, to gather as a church family and be together, socialise and be a presence in our community. We usually meet on the 3rd Monday evening. Do email myself if you would like to be notified of the next get-together.

The end of 2022 was marked by the sad (for us) departure of Shona and Martin to their new home in Cornwall. It isn't possible to express how grateful we all are for their input, support, love and guidance whilst they were with us and we wish them every success in their new life. Meanwhile the search for a priest to take on the role within HMR has begun and much has been done by so many people to start this process and we pray for God's guidance and blessing in this endeavour. Christmas services were a great success this year with improved attendances at all of the services since the covid interruptions. We would like to purchase some better and more up-to-date costumes for next year for children to dress up in the Christmas eve crib service as whilst this was well attended, there weren't enough, appropriate costumes for the children to dress up in. As always, a very huge Thank you to all of the team and church family who help week in and week out to run the services and maintain the church, cleaning, serving refreshments, arranging lovely flowers and the umpteen other jobs which are necessary and carried out; seen and unseen by the majority. It really is a team effort and huge thanks are due to all who are part of the church family. Specifically, at this time of change and high demand we thank Marion for all of the hard work and tireless enthusiasm and love that she shows to the whole benefice and we pray especially for her at this time as we seek another priest to help with the workload that she faces.

James Trumpeter, Churchwarden

Mattingley Church

Mattingley church remains quiet and peaceful with a few regular monthly visitors tending graves, plus the odd bunch of ramblers coming in for warmth. There were no major issues in 2022, with the exception of a faulty lapel microphone, which should soon be working well. Graham Wood, the sound engineer from Hazelwoods keeps the system working.

Ben Roberts has done an excellent job of repairing the roof of Mattingley church hall (Pumpkin Patch nursery). The work was completed at weekends so as not to disturb the school.

Mark Thompson from Vicarage Lane, offered to renovate the wooden bench that was donated to Mattingley church last year by a departing resident. He will place the bench in the graveyard, on a stone base, in the position that was agreed with Shona. We are very grateful to him for doing this work for the church.

Sincere thanks go to all those who have continued to help with the cleaning and with the flower arranging throughout the years. They are all an amazing group of volunteers. Thank you especially to Gina and to Jill for their organisation.

Vivienne Alexander, Churchwarden

Rotherwick Church

It was so good to be able to open our church again in 2022 and my thanks to the large number of volunteers who help keep it clean and beautiful. The mowing team were provided with a new mower which was part funded by the Parish Council. We disposed of the old mowers which were in various states of disrepair.

A replacement fence at the front of the church has been commissioned and will smarten up the frontage onto the street. The spotlight outside the church was replaced for free by our electrician who also provided information to enable us to replace a number of lightbulbs inside the church. The floor of the church moves and we have had the bottom of the church door trimmed so it doesn't catch on opening. The floor has continued to move so we are looking for a further trim to reinstate smooth operation. A close inspection of the windows when relacing the window chords revealed some are in need of minor repairs.

Some long standing jobs remain outstanding particularly the replacement tree in the churchyard and formal clarification of the corner boundary with the School and School House.

Steve Burridge, Churchwarden

The Rotherwick mowing team mow and clear debris around the graveyard at the front of the Church from May until October. Colin Miles continues to work on the main graves and mows the large area of grass at the rear of the Churchyard. Last year Rotherwick Parish Council provided half of the funding towards a new mower, this has greatly improved the mowing experience for the volunteers. The new mower has a self propelling function which makes light work of the task. Special thanks goes to John Platt who has stepped down this year but has been on the mowing team for over 22 years. Thank you to all the volunteers for giving up their time and their hard work.

Eliza Burridge, volunteer mowing team organiser

Rotherwick is kept tidy and clean by a volunteer team. Huge thanks go to the whole team and to the Church wardens for organising special support after events.

Angie Beer and Trish Sydney-Smith

FLOWERS

The Mattingley flower team continue to use a flower fund which was set up years ago by the husband of a friend of the parish which assists at Christmas and Easter. In addition our flower helpers use garden flowers. The church is always beautiful for the services.

Jill Soundy, Mattingley

Rotherwick Church Flower Team have had a good 2022 . Some of the girls helped to make beautiful arrangements for The late Queen's Jubilee celebrations, and again for Harvest Festival . Sadly we have lost both Barbara and Clarissa from our Team . Barbara has always been a huge support ,and particularly with the Advent Service. I am so grateful for her guidance ..A huge thank you for everyone's continued support which I know is so appreciated by the village.

Elsbeth Cavendish, Rotherwick

The Heckfield flower team were able to come together decorating the church to celebrate Easter & Christmas.

Dee Betts, Heckfield

CHURCH FINANCES

Income and Expenditure 2022

Income exceeded Expenditure in 2022, and as can be seen from the Financial Statements set out at the end of this Report on pages FS1 to FS7, there was a Surplus of £3,918 before investment losses, compared with a Deficit in 2021 of £8,665. The PCC's income increased as collections and fees returned closer to pre-covid levels. Also, the PCC's expenditure reduced, particularly in the areas of church running costs and church hall running costs, where there had been exceptional maintenance costs in 2021 on Mattingley Church heating and also on pipework repairs at the church hall.

The Surplus was more than eliminated by investment losses of £8,926 (2021 – gains of £9,490) and there was consequently a net decrease in the PCC's Funds of £5,008 (2021 – an increase of £825). The PCC is fortunate to have financial support from the Heckfield Church of England School Trust from whom grants totalled £19,071 (2021 - £18,033), and without which continuing decreases in the PCC's Funds would be much larger and unmanageable.

Common Mission Fund

The Common Mission Fund (CMF) is our parish contribution to the Diocese budget and is our largest expenditure. It pays for our ministry cost, and also support of the national church's mission. The contribution is based on our 'worshipping community', that is the number of people who attend church regularly, and comprises a standard amount per person to which an affluence band weighting is then applied (HMR is in the highest band).

Our worshipping community is 61 people, but, as numbers have reduced in recent years and as the parish contribution is based on a 5-year rolling average, it was actually calculated for 2022 on 80 people with an assessment of £703 per person totalling £56,266. Our 2023 CMF contribution will decrease to £52,500 based on 75 people at £700 per person.

Regular planned giving is our largest source of income, and our worshipping community are encouraged to give in this way to provide a steady guaranteed income stream for the PCC which can finance as much as possible of our ministry cost and also the other church and parish running costs. The extent of these costs and the amount needed from individuals to cover them effectively is probably not well understood, and indeed many of our worshipping community do not at present contribute at all in this way, so there is great potential to increase our income from planned giving by more effective stewardship.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain reserves in the Unrestricted Fund equivalent to approximately one year's net regular expenditure (i.e. excluding capital projects, and excluding outgoings on the Mattingley Church Hall which are normally more than covered by its own income). The Restricted Funds are maintained for specific purposes, the details of which are given in the notes to the financial statements. The decrease in reserves in 2022 was £5,008, and the balance of reserves carried forward at the end of the year was Unrestricted Funds £76,365 (equivalent to 9.6 months expenditure) and Restricted Funds £98,767.

Investment Policy

Unrestricted and Restricted Funds totalled £175,132 at 31st December. Of this sum, £106,526 was held in the bank and on short term deposit within the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. A further £66,902 was invested in units of the CBF Investment Fund, which is an equity-based fund designed for long-term capital.

The Heckfield Church of England School Trust (HST)

During the year Grants were received from The Heckfield Church of England School Trust of £19,071 (2021 - £18,033). The objects of the HST are to further the religious and other charitable work of the Church of England in the parish of Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick, and the HST is an excepted charity for the purposes of the Charities Act 2011. The managing trustees are the incumbent and the churchwardens for the time being. The custodian trustee is the Winchester Diocesan Board of Finance. It is a connected charity for the purposes of the Charities Act 2011.

John Platt, Treasurer

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

We continue to seek a Parish Stewardship Officer.

Canon Marion de Quidt

THE ORGANISTS

The organs in the three parish churches continue to give good service, all problems have been minor, quickly repaired and at considerably less cost than maintenance of the original pipe organs. Organists are becoming incredibly difficult to find and this situation is prevalent both here and abroad. Richard Joyce has been organist for Heckfield, Mattingley and Rotherwick for the past thirty years and has reluctantly felt the need to reduce his contribution. Age is taking its toll. We have continued to get support from Stephen Davies, Michael Steen and Martin Barnes for which we are very grateful.

Richard Joyce, Organist

BELL RINGING – Rotherwick and Heckfield Bells

This past year has seen the gradual return to ringing at both towers as it was prior to COVID. We have seen two unique landmark events in the Platinum Jubilee, closely followed by the death of Her Majesty, The Queen. These involved celebratory ringing in the first instance, and then ringing fully muffled with the tenor (largest bell) half muffled for the funeral of the Queen – the only time the bells are ever rung in this way is on the death of the monarch – and therefore something that has not been heard before in the lifetime of almost all of our ringers.

With the change of service times we are trying to establish regular ringing for the 11am services at Rotherwick and Heckfield in addition to ringing for Evensong. This is something we have wanted to do for a long time and the timings now allow ringers to come along following their commitments at other churches.

One of our great pleasures is to be invited to ring for weddings and be a part of a couple's special day – and we have a number of weddings coming up in 2023. We have some new learners who have joined us during this last year and are coming on extremely well which bodes well for the future. Due to demand, we have extended our monthly practice at Heckfield from just the warmer summer months to all year round – which proves that ringing is fun even on a cold, dark winter's night! Our next piece of high profile ringing will be for the coronation of His Majesty, The King in May 2023 – which we are all looking forward to being involved with.

Nici Collins, Tower Secretary, Rotherwick and Heckfield

BENEFICE COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

HMR parish has continued to be closely connected with St John's Hook in the management of communications, with the shared Website (whitewaterchurches.co.uk), and weekly Notices sheet. In addition, Shona advertised HMR events with a monthly email, and through a dedicated Facebook page, and on the Church of England 'A Church Near You' website. HMR PCC approved the creation of Easter and Christmas cards to advertise our services. These included artwork from children and were delivered by faithful community members, the Rotherwick news team in their magazine, and by Shona herself. Thank you to everyone who has assisted.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Anna Shergold, Whitewater Website manager, Dave Wilson, IT manager.

WHITEWATER CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

Whitewater joined a school collaboration in December 2021, with Mr Glen Golding as Executive Head and Mr Steve Moore as Head of School, and retain our status as a Church of England Voluntary Controlled School. We then entered a year of exceptional dedication to develop the school and grow our pupil numbers. A substantial gift from the HMR church family enabled the school to install a new outdoor learning space beside the Reception (Rabbits) classroom. A celebration of that opening with a celebration of the Queen's Jubilee was held for the whole community.

Whitewater Church of England Primary School is a school where the well-being, happiness and development (emotional, social and academic) of every child sit at the very heart of everything we do. It is the school leadership and governors' belief that if a child feels happy and safe and that they are provided with experiences that inspire curiosity and imagination, then they will undoubtedly become learners who are ready for the future. As a Church of England School we use our core Christian values of Love, Courage and Respect to guide our decision-making and inspire us in our actions. One of our goals is for children to feel love for themselves and the world around them: To have high levels of self-esteem and show tolerance, compassion and generosity to others. The renewal of school values in 2022 has helped to bring new energy into our Christian Ethos. In 2022 the school has cared for Ukrainian children and their families.

Ofsted inspectors visited in December 2022 and the report was released in January 2023. The Good rating was given in every area: The quality of education, Behaviour and attitudes, Personal development, Leadership and management, and Early years provision. We are all delighted, thank the Senior Leadership team and the staff, confident that this accurately reflects the learning and

ethos of our school. In 2015 the school was rated 'Good' in the SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection for Anglican and Methodist Schools). We anticipate a SIAMS inspection in 2023.

We support with three Foundation Governors: Marion, Shona (who completed her 4 year term in October 2022) and Stephen Davies (Hook). Our 'Open the Book' team are welcomed for their Bible story-telling. Marion has led weekly worship on Thursdays and the whole school continues to come into Rotherwick Church for Festivals such as Harvest Christmas and Easter. Shona led worship on Wednesday afternoons until December 2022 when she left Whitewater Benefice, and now Marion has taken that slot. HMR churches gave the Year 6 Leavers children a Bible in the summer 2022, and all children were given an Easter Egg at the end of the Spring term.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Foundation Governor

OPEN THE BOOK

The team goes into Whitewater School in Rotherwick every other week in term time. and we act out the Bible stories using the Lion Story teller Bible and follow the Open the Book Modules for each year. The team are brilliant, and the children enjoy the bible stories which enhances their learning of the Bible and how it links to the schools Values. In March we were able to lead the children through 'Walk through Easter', held in Rotherwick Church, the first time for a couple of years, this was well received by children and teachers alike. I took over from Sandra in co-ordinating the team, and I cannot thank Sandra enough for leading Open the Book in Rotherwick over many years. Fortunately Sandra is still very much part of the team.

Jennifer Martin, LLM Whitewater Benefice, Coordinator for HMR OTB

PRE-SCHOOL MINISTRY in HMR

Pumpkin Patch - We are glad that the Pumpkin Patch Pre-school continues to use our Mattingley Church hall on a full-time basis. The Pumpkin Pre-school was delighted that Shona was able to join them for Harvest and for the Christmas Nativity held in Mattingley Church.

Rotherwick Toddlers – Shona volunteered at the Monday morning toddler group with anything needed by the group, and also read stories to the children.

Canon Marion de Quidt

THE BLUEBELL CAFÉ AT THE TRUE LIVING CENTRE, HECKFIELD

Since opening in 6 August 2021, the cafe has gone from strength to strength. We now have around 35 guests every Friday from 2 - 4pm and all concerned enjoy tea, cakes and conversation. A dozen or so have dementia and come with their carers, others are a bit lonely and come to meet the friends they have made at the Bluebell. Sometimes we have community singing and visiting musicians, sometimes quizzes or a speaker. There is always a chance to paint, play games or do puzzles. We have recently been grateful for the 'Rosie' community bus who collects people from around the villages to bring them to Bluebell.

We are very grateful to HMR PCC who have paid for cleaning and to our volunteer helpers. Thanks to donations we remain in the black. Above all perhaps, we are so lucky to meet in the barn, ideal and free of charge thanks to the generosity of Rosie Mandry. The steering committee is Rosie Mandry; President, Ron O'Keefe, Chairman; Derek Trendell, Treasurer and David Nodder, Secretary.

David Nodder, Secretary

ECUMENICAL MINISTRY

We serve together in Hook with our brothers and sisters in Life Church and Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, with bible studies, litter picking, 'Open the Book' in Hook, leaflet to advertise services, an Annual Unity service in the Hook Elizabeth Hall, and prayers. The Annual World Day of Prayer service is prepared by women from one country each year and is attended by all our churches.

Canon Marion de Quidt

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2022

World Day of Prayer (WDP) took place on Friday, 4th March, 2022 with the service being put together by the Christian women of England, Wales & Northern Ireland (EW&NI). The theme was "I know the plans I have for you". The service took place in St John's Church, Hook. Unlike the previous year when restrictions due to the pandemic were in place, we were able to get together both in person and on Zoom. The service had a particular poignancy not only because Chrissie Bridson, who had previously been representative for Life Church, had recently passed away unexpectedly, but also because of the invasion of Ukraine. As the congregation arrived, small packets of wildflower seeds were handed out for them to plant as a reminder of God's constant love and their hopes. The wonderful sum of £248.80 was received for the offering which will help the work of WDP in EW&NI and projects run by Christian charities around the world. Refreshments were served following the service with goodies representing the three countries (scones, Welsh cakes, barmbrack) as well as shortbread for Scotland.

Catriona Terrell, World Day of Prayer coordinator

DIOCESAN SYNOD

We met 3 times in 2022. We learned about the review of the role of the Chief Executive of the Diocese, Clergy wellbeing initiatives, supported the National Climate Emergency plan, were updated on the Diocesan Board of Education Measure, and the Diocesan one-year Financial Plan. In November we learned about Diocesan research on Stewardship and giving, the review of locations for the Diocesan Office, Governance structures for Bishop's Council and Diocese, and approved the renewed appointment of an Archdeacon to Bournemouth.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Odiham Clergy Representative on Winchester Diocesan Synod

ODIHAM DEANERY SYNOD

We met 3 times in 2022. We supported our Diocesan Companion link with Myanmar with a monthly prayer group, supper with Myanmar guests post Lambeth Conference, and support the local churches and Holy Cross Theological College with prayer and funds. We support Ukrainian Refugees. We discussed Safeguarding training for different roles and ministry to the elderly. We learned about Eco-Church, the Church Army, and a method of Conflict resolution. We included updates on the Vacancy in See process, Diocesan Synod and General Synod.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Area Dean of Odiham Deanery

PASTORAL

Regular weekly emails were sent to most of the core church members during the pandemic by Shona, and then decreased to monthly as we were allowed to return to in person meetings with one another.

Shona and Martin hosted a regular Zoom call initially on a Tuesday afternoon, but then moved to a Tuesday evening “HMR in conversation” group which began in February 2021 continued to meet through 2022 and enabled the community to be together even when dark nights made driving difficult.

HMR community has always taken a care for one another’s needs and this has continued to be evident throughout 2022 as people have taken time to visit those who are less able to get out and about. Shona took Home Communion to those who wished to receive it and more general visits to others.

Rosie’s True Living Centre at Holdshott Farm has been open for a cup of tea and chat on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons as well as the now well established Bluebell Cafe as reported elsewhere and provides invaluable support across the local community.

Canon Marion de Quidt, Rector

PARISH EVENTS

The following events and courses were again undertaken and run during the year within HMR and/or The Whitewater Benefice:

- **World Day of Prayer 2022**
- **Hart Food Bank** - is continually supported by HMR parishioners who donate food to the Hook Life Church; it is part of the Trussell Trust and has been very much in demand through the covid crisis.
- **Easter Outdoor Event** – on Easter Sunday at Rotherwick Church grounds.
- **The Queen’s Jubilee Event** – at Mattingley Church and outdoor Beacon Mattingley Red Hill
- **Jubilee Village picnic at Hound Green** -
- **Harvest at Rotherwick Church** – to celebrate Harvest Festival outdoors
- **Whitewater School Parent Teacher Association Carol Service** – held outdoors at Rotherwick Church on Friday 2nd December.
- **Carols in the Barn** – at Moneys Farm on Friday 16th December 2022.
- **Farewell to Shona and Martin Hoad** – at Heckfield Memorial Hall on Sun 1st Jan 2023.

Independent examiner's report to Heckfield, Mattingley and Rotherwick PCC

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages FS2 to FS7, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 (the "Regulations") and s145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the "2011 Act").

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144(2) of the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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 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 the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

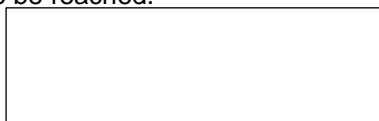
(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep proper 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.

Signed



Date

14th February 2023

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Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick Parochial Church Council

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (SOFA) for the year ending 31st December 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted Funds 2022 £ | Restricted Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2021 £ |
|--------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Income | | | | | |
| Voluntary income | 2(a) | 78,261 | 1,611 | 79,872 | 77,006 |
| Church activities | 2(b) | 18,803 | - | 18,803 | 16,457 |
| Events | 2(c) | - | - | - | - |
| Investments | 2(d) | 1,334 | 1,797 | 3,131 | 1,975 |
| Total Income | | 98,398 | 3,408 | 101,806 | 95,438 |
| Expenditure | | | | | |
| Cost of events | 3(a) | - | - | - | - |
| Charitable giving | 3(b) | 1,859 | - | 1,859 | 840 |
| Church activities | 3(c) | 76,834 | 6,860 | 83,694 | 90,211 |
| Church management and administration | 3(d) | 12,335 | - | 12,335 | 13,052 |
| Total Expenditure | | 91,028 | 6,860 | 97,888 | 104,103 |
| Net Income/(Expenditure) | | 7,370 | (3,452) | 3,918 | (8,665) |
| Gains/(Losses) on Investments | | (3,650) | (5,276) | (8,926) | 9,490 |
| Net Movement in Funds | | 3,720 | (8,728) | (5,008) | 825 |
| Funds Brought Forward | | 72,645 | 107,495 | 180,140 | 179,315 |
| Funds Carried Forward | | 76,365 | 98,767 | 175,132 | 180,140 |

The notes on pages FS4 to FS7 form part of these accounts

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BALANCE SHEET at 31st December 2022

| | Notes | Unrestricted Funds 2022 £ | Restricted Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2021 £ |
|--|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Fixed Assets | | | | | |
| Tangible assets | 1 | - | - | - | - |
| Investments | 5 | 27,356 | 39,546 | 66,902 | 75,828 |
| | | <u>27,356</u> | <u>39,546</u> | <u>66,902</u> | <u>75,828</u> |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 6 | 9,467 | - | 9,467 | 9,940 |
| Short term deposits | | | | | |
| The CBF Church of England Deposit Fund | | 19,175 | 60,391 | 79,566 | 88,429 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 26,960 | - | 26,960 | 13,026 |
| | | <u>55,602</u> | <u>60,391</u> | <u>115,993</u> | <u>111,395</u> |
| Liabilities - Creditors | | | | | |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 7 | (6,593) | (1,170) | (7,763) | (7,083) |
| Net Current Assets | | <u>49,009</u> | <u>59,221</u> | <u>108,230</u> | <u>104,312</u> |
| Total Net Assets | | <u><u>76,365</u></u> | <u><u>98,767</u></u> | <u><u>175,132</u></u> | <u><u>180,140</u></u> |
| Represented by Parish Funds | | | | | |
| Unrestricted (General Fund) | | 76,365 | - | 76,365 | 72,645 |
| Restricted | 8 | - | 98,767 | 98,767 | 107,495 |
| | | <u><u>76,365</u></u> | <u><u>98,767</u></u> | <u><u>175,132</u></u> | <u><u>180,140</u></u> |

The notes on pages FS4 to FS7 form part of these accounts

The Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 was accepted by the HMR PCC at their APCM on 23rd April 2023 and signed on their behalf by Revd Marion de Quidt, PCC Chairman.

ME. De Quidt

Rev'd Canon Marion de Quidt
PCC Chairman and Rector

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Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick Parochial Church Council

NOTES to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022

1 Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, together with applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the SORP FRS102 (Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102) and on the Accruals basis. Within the FRS102 reporting requirement, advantage has been taken of the PCC's status as a smaller charity.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Restricted Funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not always invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned on each fund's closing balance.

Unrestricted Funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is recognised. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable. Interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts (currently none) received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised on an accruals basis and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Mattingley Church Hall is carried at nil value.

Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are inalienable property listed in the churches' inventories, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently all such expenditure has been written off when incurred. Equipment used within the church premises, comprising individual items with no cost over £1,000, is written off when acquired.

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December.

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NOTES to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022

| 2 Income | Unrestricted Funds 2022 £ | Restricted Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2022 £ | Total Funds 2021 £ |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2(a) Voluntary Income | | | | |
| Planned giving | 28,394 | 100 | 28,494 | 29,609 |
| Collections at services | 12,037 | - | 12,037 | 7,464 |
| GiftAid recovered | 10,549 | - | 10,549 | 10,784 |
| Grants | 20,300 | - | 20,300 | 18,033 |
| Other donations and legacies | 6,981 | 1,511 | 8,492 | 11,116 |
| | 78,261 | 1,611 | 79,872 | 77,006 |
| 2(b) Church Activities | | | | |
| Church Hall lettings | 6,828 | - | 6,828 | 6,706 |
| Fees for weddings and funerals | 11,931 | - | 11,931 | 9,707 |
| Parish Magazine advertisements and donations | 44 | - | 44 | 44 |
| | 18,803 | - | 18,803 | 16,457 |
| 2(c) Events | | | | |
| Special events | - | - | - | - |
| 2(d) Investments | | | | |
| Dividends and interest | 1,334 | 1,797 | 3,131 | 1,975 |
| Total Income | 98,398 | 3,408 | 101,806 | 95,438 |

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NOTES to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022

| | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds | Total Funds |
|--|--------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2021 |
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| 3 Expenditure | | | | |
| 3(a) Cost of Events | - | - | - | - |
| 3(b) Charitable Giving | 1,859 | - | 1,859 | 840 |
| 3(c) Church Activities | | | | |
| Ministry Diocesan Common Mission Fund | 56,266 | - | 56,266 | 55,750 |
| Diocesan fees share | 3,962 | - | 3,962 | 3,003 |
| Other ministry expenses | 1,896 | - | 1,896 | 2,128 |
| Upkeep of services | 1,829 | 223 | 2,052 | 1,365 |
| Church and churchyard running and maintenance | 5,121 | 4,542 | 9,663 | 11,423 |
| Church repairs | 4,712 | 2,095 | 6,807 | 9,790 |
| Church Hall running costs | 2,659 | - | 2,659 | 5,500 |
| Expenditure on Parish Magazine | - | - | - | - |
| Sundry | 389 | - | 389 | 1,252 |
| | 76,834 | 6,860 | 83,694 | 90,211 |
| 3(d) Church Management and Administration | | | | |
| Administration | 6,541 | - | 6,541 | 7,284 |
| Insurance | 5,794 | - | 5,794 | 5,768 |
| | 12,335 | - | 12,335 | 13,052 |
| Total Expenditure | 91,028 | 6,860 | 97,888 | 104,103 |

4 Staff Costs

The PCC employs no staff directly. The church administrator is employed on behalf of the Whitewater Churches by Hook PCC to whom HMR PCC reimburses their share of the cost.

5 Fixed Assets - Investment Assets

| | £ |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Market value - 1st January 2022 | 75,828 |
| Net loss on revaluation | (8,926) |
| Market value - 31st December 2022 | 66,902 |

6 Debtors

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | £ | £ |
| Tax recoverable (GiftAid) | 2,129 | 1,539 |
| Other debtors | 7,338 | 8,401 |
| | 9,467 | 9,940 |

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Heckfield with Mattingley and Rotherwick Parochial Church Council

NOTES to the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022

7 Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year

| | 2022 £ | 2021 £ |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Creditors for goods and services | 7,763 | 6,818 |
| Magazine advert prepayments received | - | 265 |
| | <u>7,763</u> | <u>7,083</u> |

8 Restricted Funds Analysis

| | Balances at 1 Jan £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | Investment Gains £ | Balances at 31 Dec £ |
|--|---------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bell Maintenance Funds | | | | | |
| Heckfield Bell Fund | 2,054 | 170 | - | - | 2,224 |
| Rotherwick Bell Fund | 10,224 | 445 | (91) | - | 10,578 |
| Church and Churchyard Funds | | | | | |
| Major Stuart Black Churchyard Trust | 73,553 | 1,445 | (4,604) | (5,276) | 65,118 |
| Heckfield Church Fund | 86 | - | (86) | - | - |
| Mattingley Church Fund (Peter Peddie & other legacies) | 4,053 | 23 | (1,856) | - | 2,220 |
| Rotherwick Church Fund (Ninian Swan & other legacies) | 6,706 | 71 | - | - | 6,777 |
| Flower Funds | | | | | |
| Heckfield - Lucinda Bullen Flower Fund | 1,165 | 12 | - | - | 1,177 |
| Mattingley - Peter Gale Flower Fund | 1,736 | 17 | (90) | - | 1,663 |
| Rotherwick - Hutchings Flower Fund | 1,628 | 16 | (133) | - | 1,511 |
| Friends of Whitewater Churches Fund | 6,290 | 1,209 | - | - | 7,499 |
| | <u>107,495</u> | <u>3,408</u> | <u>(6,860)</u> | <u>(5,276)</u> | <u>98,767</u> |

The Restricted Funds Investment Assets are held entirely by the Major Stuart Black Churchyard Trust. The capital and income of this Trust may be used to maintain the Churches and Churchyards within the Parish

The Bell Funds were provided for the purpose of maintaining and repairing the bells at the designated church

The Church Funds may be used to maintain the Church and Churchyard of the designated church

The Flower Funds may be used for payments for flowers at the designated church

The Friends of Whitewater Churches Fund may be used for repairs and maintenance of the churches

9 Other Matters

During the year the following amounts were paid to members of the PCC :

- £813 was paid in expenses to the Reverend Marion de Quidt (2021 - £1,023)
- £900 was paid in expenses to the Reverend Shona Hoad (2021 - £780)

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END OF ANNUAL REPORT