

Diocese of Winchester
Deanery of Bournemouth
Bournemouth Town Centre Parish



ST AUGUSTIN'S CHURCH

REPORTS FOR THE
2021
ANNUAL MEETING

Team Rector: The Rev'd Dr Ian Terry
Church (Parish) Wardens:
Mrs Jane MacDonald-Styslinger
Mr Chris Mayne

Deputy Church Wardens:
Mrs Janet Lawrence
Mrs June Deedman

Independent Examiner: Mr. James Shutler of
17 Tax & Accounting Ltd.

ST. AUGUSTIN'S CHURCH
ANNUAL DISTRICT CHURCH MEETING
Sunday 11th April 2021
11:30am

AGENDA

- 1. Opening prayers**
- 2. Present**
- 3. Apologies for absence**
- 4. Approval of Minutes** - of ADCM 4th October 2020
- 5. Matter Arising** - from those Minutes
- 6. Finance - Accounts for 2020, inc Treasurer's Report**
- 7. Appointment of Independent Examiner**
- 8. Deputy Church Wardens Report**
- 9. Electoral Roll Report** - present situation
- 10. Missions Report**
- 11. Rector's Report**
- 12. Election of Officers:**
 - **Two Deputy Church Wardens**
 - **District Church Council Members (max 10)**
 - **Parish Church Council Members (max 5)**
 - **Electoral Roll Officer**
- 13. Vote of Thanks**
- 14. Any Other Business**
- 15. Closing Prayer**

St Augustin's Church ADCM MINUTES
St Augustin's Church
4th October 2020 - 11am

Present:

Janet Taylor
Walter
Barbara Sparling
Betty Preece
Ros Atkin
David Agar
Sheelah Hamilton-Harvey
Roy Hamilton-Harvey
Rosemary Simmonds
Alison Gray
Jenny Maund
June Webb
Edmund Postlethwaite
Julie Gavin
Rosemary Carter
Neil Spicer
Jackie Uren
June Deedman
Janet Lawrence
Ruth Beasant
Jane Styslinger

1. Meeting commenced at 11am with prayer.

2. Apologies for absence:
John Kear
Felicity Carter
Dawn Page
Jenny Long
Margaret Hutchinson
Nicola Hutchinson

3. Minutes of the ADCM held on 10th February 2019 read and approved:
Proposed by Janet Lawrence and seconded by Janet Taylor.

4. Annual reports read and accepted unanimously.

5. Financial report: David Agar queried the sum of £34,436.00 in the treasurer's report and wanted to know where it featured in the audited accounts, Ruth explained. David also asked about the CMF payments. Jane [Parish Warden] explained that it is now worked out on the average number in the congregation and, in St. Augustin's case means £370 per person per year. A discussion took place about the amount of reserve funds to be held in the bank for church use. Ian mentioned the pandemic fund which is in place for mission work and for churches in difficulties. Ruth talked about obtaining funds from English Heritage. Jane was thanked for all her hard work involved in obtaining the faculty from Winchester and negotiating with the local authority over the issue of our replacement boilers in the church in 2019. The Accounts were unanimously adopted by the meeting: Proposed by David Agar and seconded by Jane Styslinger. Ruth was thanked for all her hard work.
6. Rector's Report. The Rector explained further about the proposal to use part of the church by BCARS for storage of dry food and frozen goods to be distributed to homeless people living in accommodation around Bournemouth. Also, some rehabilitation conversations might take place in the church. There would be a rental agreement to cover heating, lighting, wear and tear, Insurance cover would be necessary along with risk assessments and Covid safety requirements. There could also be help offered for the church garden. A motion was put to the meeting: "The DCC to further explore this proposal ". Proposer: Alison Gray. Seconder: Jenny Maund. The motion was carried: 19 in favour with 1 abstention.
7. Review of the year. Thanks was given to the Deputy Church Wardens and to Ruth {Treasurer} and Jane {Parish Warden}.
8. Election of Deputy Church Wardens. Janet Lawrence and June Deedman re-elected.
9. Election of DCC members: Ros Atkin, David Agar, Janet Taylor, Jackie Uren and Ruth Beasant were elected.
10. Deanery Synod Representative: David Agar
11. Electoral Roll Officer: Barbara Sparling
12. Sidespeople re-elected
13. Mr. James Shutler remains as Independent Examiner.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 12.20pm with a prayer.

Treasurer's Report 2020

We started the year in a good position with an opening balance of £34,346.

Additions to this sum during the year are as follows: -

- 1) £1,882.25 Gift Aid repayment and Gift Aid Small Donation Scheme for Jan to Apr 2020
- 2) A number of the congregation use the Parish Giving Scheme and £912.87 gift aid was refunded during the year
- 3) £2,847.54 (Gift Aid £2,085.75, GADS £761.50 + 29p interest. Claim pending at end of 2020 for April to December 2020 received in 2021
- 4) One off donation of £10000 to put towards the new boiler for the church which was replaced in December 2019.

The roof over the kitchen and toilets in the annex has been carried out costing £11340 but we received VAT back of £1890. We also received back VAT of £3487.26 for the church boiler.

We have this year started to pay our quota to the diocese £14,316 and the figure for 2021 has been reduced to £11,895.72.

We were fortunate to have a good balance at the start of 2020 as due to the pandemic our income went down with fewer rentals, no fund raising etc plus less income through gift aid and the collection plate. If it had not been for the large donation, we had we would have been in deficit for the year of £13,797.56.

We start 2021 off with a balance of £33,442.47.

We cannot sit on our laurels as we have various large bills coming up in 2021 as the annexe boiler has been condemned and will cost in the region of £10,000 plus VAT and the South Vestry roof £2,000+ and the path outside the church needs replacing. Our share of parish expenses has gone down to £800pm before we start paying for the upkeep of the buildings and grounds.

I am very grateful to Lisa for doing the spreadsheets for without her we would have no accounts and therefore contravening the charity act. I cannot carry on in 2021 without assistance with someone to do the spreadsheets with the view of taking the job over in the long term. We should not rely on Lisa to do ours, St Peter's and other work in the church on a voluntary basis plus the work of the Parish Administrator.

Ruth Beasant - Treasurer

BOURNEMOUTH TOWN CENTRE PARISH
ST. PETER & ST. STEPHEN WITH ST. AUGUSTIN
DISTRICT CHURCH COUNCIL

ST. AUGUSTIN'S CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

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ST. AUGUSTIN'S CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Restricted Investments				
Ethel Vass Trust Fund				
534 CBF Investment Fund		8,908		10,877
		<u>8,908</u>		<u>10,877</u>
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors and Prepayments	13,408		7,120	
CBF Deposit Fund - Ivy Payne Trust Fund	510		510	
National Westminster Bank	<u>12,024</u>		<u>34,236</u>	
	25,942		41,866	
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors and Accruals	<u>5,725</u>		<u>996</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		20,217		40,870
NET ASSETS		<u>29,125</u>		<u>51,747</u>
FUNDS				
Balances brought forward		19,809		29,125
Excess/(Deficit) for year (see page 2)		9,168		20,653
Gain on Investments (see page 5)		148		1,969
		<u>29,125</u>		<u>51,747</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	Note	<u>2018</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2019</u>
		£	£	£	£
ORDINARY INCOME					
Incoming resources from donors					
Planned giving		10,363		8,935	
Collections and other giving		4,788		7,223	
Income tax recovered		4,408		4,663	
Korean Church		3,600		3,865	
		<u>23,159</u>		<u>24,686</u>	
Other voluntary income resources					
Donations		216		-	
Clubs		4,105		3,250	
Gift Day		-		4,195	
Fund raising events (net)		1,381		1,481	
Church Flowers (net)		-		-	
		<u>5,702</u>		<u>8,926</u>	
Wedding and Funeral Fees					
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
Annex Letting		20,120		21,999	
Hire of Church		5,408		1,210	
Events and Collections for Missions		327		-	
		<u>25,855</u>		<u>23,209</u>	
Miscellaneous Income			538		35
Income from Investments	1		<u>2</u>		<u>3</u>
			<u>55,256</u>		<u>56,859</u>
ORDINARY EXPENDITURE					
Grants			-		-
Activities directly relating to work of the church					
Diocesan Quota		-		- 1,359	
Church running expenses	2	11,162		6,237	
Cost of services	3	1,170		711	
Clergy expense		-		-	
Share of Parish expenses		7,800		7,150	
		<u>20,132</u>		<u>12,739</u>	
Fund raising and activity					
Annex running costs	4	16,564		7,163	
Fundraising		-		-	
			16,564		7,163
Church management and administration	5		9,392	-	1,640
			<u>46,088</u>		<u>18,262</u>
(Deficit)/Excess - Ordinary Income over Ordinary Expenses			<u>9,168</u>		<u>38,597</u>
EXTRAORDINARY INCOME	6		-		-
EXTRAORDINARY EXPENSES	6		-		17,944
Excess - Extraordinary Income over Extraordinary Expenses			<u>-</u>		<u>- 17,944</u>
TOTAL INCOME OVER TOTAL EXPENDITURE			<u>9,168</u>		<u>20,653</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
1 Income from Investments		
Central Board of Finance Bank Interest	2	4
Central Board of Finance Dividends	279	319
	<u>281</u>	<u>323</u>
2 Church running expenses		
Insurance	2,231	2,331
Utilities	7,595	2,768
Maintenance and repairs	635	596
Garden	701	542
Cleaning	-	-
	<u>11,162</u>	<u>6,237</u>
3 Cost of services		
Music	970	500
Sacristy, Literature and Other Expenses	200	211
	<u>1,170</u>	<u>711</u>
4 Annex running costs		
Insurance	824	861
Utilities	6,478	3,742
Repairs, renewals and maintenance	4,745	750
Cleaning	4,516	1,810
	<u>16,563</u>	<u>7,163</u>

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YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2019

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
5 Church management and administration		
Postage, printing and stationery	2,984	- 1,720
Telephone and fax	-	-
Architects fees	544	80
Accountancy Fee	4,750	-
Advertising	-	-
Bank Charges	- 27	-
Sundry	1,141	-
	<u>9,392</u>	<u>- 1,640</u>
6 Extraordinary Income and Expenditure		
Extraordinary Income		
Legacy	-	-
Legacy - received 2016	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Extraordinary Expenditure		
Insurance excess	-	250
Boiler - church	-	17,694
	<u>-</u>	<u>17,944</u>

Deputy Wardens Report - A Review Of The Year

The year 2020 has been like no other!

We started 2020 with the New Creation Life Ministries and the Korean Church using the Church and Annexe on Sundays. Also, the annexe hosted its usual activities until lockdown commenced in late March when the church and the annexe had to close.

At the start of the year work on the kitchen and the toilet roofs of the annexe was completed.

In June the Lansdowne Church commenced serving takeaway lunches to the homeless from the Annexe. Alcoholics Anonymous started their meetings in July with restricted numbers. We were very pleased that these activities could begin again.

We were delighted when services in the church started on Sunday August 23rd. We spent time beforehand making everything Covid safe. It was lovely welcoming everyone back into Church after such a long time, Reluctantly we closed again for services during a 2nd lockdown in November. We enjoyed a carol service and a Christmas Eve service in December when restrictions lifted briefly,

In November we were very pleased to welcome Faithworks Wessex into the church for a project providing food bags to folk who had been housed during the crisis but awaiting benefits. Jackie, our organist, enjoyed becoming a volunteer.

We thank all who officiated at our services last summer and in December and to Ian, our rector, and all involved in the production of the online worship during lockdown and beyond. This has been a lifeline every Sunday.

We look forward with hope to 2021 and to being able to worship and witness at St. Augustin's once again.

June Deedman and Janet Lawrence
Deputy Church Wardens

Electoral Roll Report

At the present time there are 40 members on the Roll.

During the year we have lost several of our Members. Fiona Davis is now in a Nursing Home. Sadly, Geoff Hood and Janet Taylor have died, and Sheila Gill has moved to Westbourne. We miss them very much but have treasured memories of the time and service given to St. Augustin's.

On a much happier note, we now have June Webb on our Roll. June is taking, along with many other members, an active and valued part in our Church life.

Barbara Sparling

Electoral Roll Officer - St. Augustin's

Missions 2020

We collected for WaterAid as usual last Easter but sadly, no further fundraising took place during the year for mission giving.

We continued to support Janet Joel our sponsored child in Sierra Leone in 2020.

Janet Lawrence

Deputy Church Warden

The Rector's Report to St Peter's Annual Meeting

This report covers a period of five months of extraordinary human history, in which churches have been closed on Sundays for four of those five months, and everyone has been subject to a mixture of restrictions and lockdown. Although stewardship of an inevitability depleted financial income has continued, as has the stewardship of church buildings and churchyards, to the extent that this has been compatible with clear government instructions to 'stay at home', the core business of our PCC trust, public worship, evangelism, pastoral care and working in partnerships with others for the common good of our town, and the alleviation of the suffering of the poor, have been inevitably compromised to a very large extent.

Online services, reflections and meetings have proved to be imaginative ways of keeping us in touch with each other and with God in a digital form of public worship. We have held funerals in church and at the crematorium with very limited congregations, and the pastoral care associated with those deaths has been personal but sometimes a bit more distant than was our previous custom.

We are adapting and have learned many lessons. All churches will be trying a range of creative digital ways of being church online, as well as in person in the future. Churches will not simply go back to where they were before the pandemic.

Whilst our confidence in God, as shown in Jesus, remains unchanged, there is much grief, bereavement and shock still to be processed. In due course, this will need many forms of liturgical as well pastoral and theological expression.

God always goes ahead of us, we learn from the Resurrection stories in the Gospels, and so our task over these coming months and years will be to be alert and listening to discern what God is doing, and where God is leading us, and to join in as best we can. It will take time, and, as with any process of bereavement and new beginnings, there are no short cuts, and we must be gentle with each other as we wait on God and continue to keep others and ourselves safe.

This report, then, quite properly and inevitably, echoes and repeats the gratitude of previous years, whilst registering that much needs to be not just regained but reformed, indeed, resurrected.

As we move forward in that spirit, I seek, therefore, your prayers and patience, for and with each other as we move into the future that God has prepared for us.

My personal gratitude to you all...

Dear Friends,

Vision for Bournemouth Town Centre Parish 2019 and onwards:

(i) Our vision for Bournemouth town centre parish is simple and profound. It links with Winchester Diocesan priorities.

A: We want everyone to have fullness of life with God, through personal, passionate spirituality and diverse community relationship, with Jesus.

B: We want to join in transformational partnerships with others for the common good of our town, particularly working together to help the poorest and most vulnerable amongst us.

In a nutshell: it's about (A) friendship with Jesus and (B) active solidarity with the poor. In practical terms, our hopes are for developing increasing ecumenical and common good, focused community partnerships in all three churches in Bournemouth Town Centre Parish.

(ii) Further, our vision is to be a beacon parish within the Diocese, to expand the outreach work, develop our mission and, with the established chaplaincies, provide contact with the young and the business communities that form part of the wider town centre ministry. We wish to maintain the strong link between the three churches which offer different but complementary styles of worship and to build on the links between other established churches in Bournemouth.

(iii) We have sought clarity, with Deanery leadership, PCC and DCCs, in establishing a bold strategic direction, predicated on strategic partnerships for the common good, with St Peter's offering a range of activities (eg -ethics forums, homelessness & common good consultations, pastoral care for those involved with the 88 nightclubs in our parish, etc), for the whole BTCP and resourcing, as appropriate, the wider church and partners.

(iv) We have further developed, alongside our strong BTCP missional emphasis on the Common Good, an authentic pattern of evangelism and discipleship within BTCP. 'Sharp Edges' discussion and discipling groups are now a growth point each Thursday lunchtime, following communion, 1- 1.45. As resource material we used Krish Kandiah's 'God is Stranger', up to August, took a holiday break, and in autumn 2019 we used Michael Mayne's book, 'This Sunrise of Wonder'. Prayer, Bible-study, sharing of our journeys – all powerful tools for evangelisation and nurture.

(v) Financial practice is now as it should be, online and transparent, throughout the team. Huge gratitude to Ruth Beasant for her sterling and dedicated work on finance for this church. We are looking to develop a finance team supporting Ruth.

(vi) St Augustin's now see their future as a worshipping community which partners with others. It has established sustainable partnerships, of the Gospel, addressing social need, and of care for the Grade2 listed building, with Lansdown Baptist Church, New Creation Life Ministries and Bournemouth Korean Church. Other partnerships are both possible and desirable.

(vii) Our Wardens and church representatives, particularly Jane and Rob (for the first part of 2019), Janet Lawrence and June Deedman, are a dedicated and gifted team, who with Lisa, our Parish Administrator, and Ruth, St Augustin's splendid Treasurer, contribute great strengths to BTCP. Huge gratitude to them all.

(viii) I would be unable to keep worship going in our three churches without the gentle and generous contributions of a whole range of really excellent retired priests, to whom I am immensely grateful. As this relates to St Augustin's: Steve Parselle, David Wheeler, Angela and Graham Newton, and Joe Smith. To this generous and gifted group of ministers, including LLMs Roger and Lucinda, my heartfelt thanks.

May God bless us richly in the future,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Terry', written in a cursive style.

The Rev'd Dr Ian Terry - Team Rector