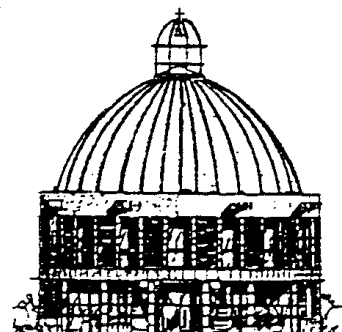


**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR  
THE PARISH OF  
ST ANNE'S BRONDESBURY  
AND HOLY TRINITY KILBURN  
for the year ending 31 December 2023**



## **1. Annual Report**

### **1.1. Membership of Clergy and Church Council for 2023**

St Anne with Holy Trinity Brondesbury is served by The Revd Christine Cargill as Vicar since 2013. Working together with the PCC and people of our parish we seek to promote the mission of the Church in the area, as we confidently share the love of Christ.

Clergy:

- The Revd Christine Cargill (Vicar)
- Nicki Sudworth (Assistant Curate)

Wardens:

- Richard Brindley
- Simon Judge (Gift Aid Officer)

Deputy Wardens:

- Rhona Christie
- Alice Lyon (Safeguarding Officer)

Elected Members of the PCC:

1. Tim Collett
2. Maggie Gibbs
3. Michael Lyon (Treasurer)
4. Martin Stopford
5. Bob Vickers
6. Alice Lyon (Deputy Warden)
7. Rhona Christie (Deputy Warden)
8. Karen Ngo (Deanery Synod Representative)

### **1.2 Conflicts of Interest**

No conflicts of interest were recorded over the past year and no office holders received financial payment for their services.

### **1.3 Finance & Property**

The annual Financial Report is covered in section 5 below.

Negotiations are still ongoing between the London Diocesan Fund (LDF) and the United Reform Church (URC) for the LDF's purchase of the URC's share of the building, following the closure of St Andrew's URC church and the ending of the Local Ecumenical Partnership in July 2020.

It is anticipated that these negotiations will be concluded by the end of 2024. The PCC now has new operational procedures to take on the functions of the previous Joint Council.

A range of fund-raising events and activities were held during 2023, including Queens Park Day and Christmas Decoration Day. The Annual Giving Tree appeal also resulted in donations for the work of the parish; and gift cards to be used for those seeking aid from the church.

## **1.4 Safeguarding & General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)**

See reports 10 and 11 below.

## **1.5 Standing Committee**

This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to directions given by the Council. Members are Simon Judge, Richard Brindley and Mother Christine Cargill. The Standing Committee met once.

## **1.6 Fabric & Property Committee Report** by Richard Brindley, Churchwarden

A property committee (sub-committee of the PCC) was established in 2023, to manage the building, since the PCC became responsible for the maintenance and running of the building, from the previous Joint Council. Members are Simon Judge, Richard Brindley, Mother Christine Cargill, with Lesley Daisley (Parish Administrator) in attendance.

The committee met 4 times in 2023 and dealt with the repairs from the break-ins last September, the renewal of the Nursery Lease, updates of the St Anne's website, and the following maintenance works, which were completed over Summer 2023:

1. Cleaning – floors, carpets and stairs
2. Window cleaning
3. Exhaust fans and electrical work
4. New Wi-Fi installation
5. CCTV -new and additional cameras
6. Installation of new External Signs
7. Painting of Nursery and Rotunda
8. Mending of external toy shed
9. Mending the closer on organ loft door, seals around sinks, loo seats
10. Replace the worn feet on all chairs
11. Cleaning light covers in nursery
12. Cutting down foliage along the back wall with the Cemetery
13. Investigation of the replacement of the two existing external sheds.
14. Boiler servicing
15. Discussing plans for the refurbishment and extension of the kitchen
16. Replacement of three internal doors, following a break-in over the summer (largely covered by insurance).

## **1.7 Church Attendance**

The usual Sunday morning attendance average throughout the year was 23 adults and 5 children. This includes about 60 regular attenders over a 3-4 week cycle; and 71 who have attended more than once in the past year. The weekly Zoom evening service averages 3 parishioners. Our Sunday school attracts an average of 5 children during term time.

## **1.8 PCC Meetings**

The PCC met on 6 occasions during 2023. Main agenda items including changes in ownership of the building, leasing of the building, planning for events including Queens Park Day and Open Studios, pastoral matters for the parish and our relationship with Christ Church. Finance and stewardship was also discussed, including our contribution to the Common Fund, publicity, and charitable giving. We have made a significant contribution to

Laurence's Larder and Salusbury World and have provided food vouchers for vulnerable local families. We provide two weekly outreach programs - Tea and Chat and My Moves.

### **1.9 Conclusion**

St Anne's responded to many changes in 2023. We have much to look forward to in 2024, as an active part of our local community.

## **2. Vicar's Report** by Mother Christine Cargill

It feels strange to be writing a report for an Annual meeting I won't be at!

Firstly let me thank you all for your generosity which has allowed me to make the most of the opportunity to have Study Leave (Sabbatical). This is only possible because so many of you are prepared to engage and support the work of the parish.

The Annual meeting is a chance to reflect on the life of the parish and all that has taken place in the past year. St Anne's is a great parish, and we have lots of opportunities as well as challenges to face.

Our worshipping community continues to be vibrant, and we have a strong regular morning congregation. The welcome which is offered means that those who visit often stay. Our morning tea has a good buzz, and the participation of our young people is very encouraging. We have also maintained our monthly Sunday evening Zoom service which enables those unable to join us in the morning to access regular worship. This mixed mode for Sunday worship and morning prayer allows many to be included who would otherwise find participating a challenge. The challenge however is that individually (and collectively) we are busy and time poor, which means while there are around 55 -60 regular worshippers at St Anne's, on a given Sunday we rarely have a congregation of more than 25. This means we don't always get to catch up or support one another.

Despite this challenge, we seem to maintain a strong sense of community. Thank you to David Till and Sam West for supporting our singing; and Ruth Brennan and Alice Lyon for all your support of our young people. Thank you too to everyone who helps out in many different ways on a Sunday morning.

Sunday morning, while very important, is only a small part of our week. Much of what we do as a parish, and which takes up my time occurs on the other 6 days. The gift of this building is that we have lots of community spaces that allow members of our local community to come into this space for lessons, music, classes, support and even respite. During most weeks more than 380 adults and children come to events in this building. It means we have to work hard to ensure it is ready for every visitor.

We also provide support to people within the local community. My Move playgroup continues to be busy and valued by many local families. Tea and chat is a great respite for many in our community. We also provide food vouchers and a listening ear to many who pop by. Much of what we do during the week, signposts people to other services as well.

During the year we have enjoyed many worship highlights including Creation Season, Remembrance, Carols by Candlelight to name a few. It was also fun to celebrate the coronation on King Charles last May in church. It is a blessing to have Rev Nicky with us and thank you for the welcome you have offered. Her Curacy will come to an end in July, and I will miss having her here as part of our community.

The PCC have been working hard over the past 12 months as we adapt to the changes in our building and context. As we come closer to the final legal closure of our Local Ecumenical Partnership with the URC, we now are fully responsible for the management of the building. In practice, this has been the case for some time. I am grateful for all who assist in care of

our building, and its management. We are resourced greatly by our administrator, Lesley Daisley, who is very generous with her time and her skills.

Our current Mission Action Plan (MAP) continues to encourage us 'confidently share the love of Christ'. I regular use the MAP, as do the PCC, to reflect on what we have achieved and what challenges we still have to face. We have decided to not begin the process of review until clarity about building ownership, as well as the future of Christ Church are clarified. We will look at this late in 2024. In the past 12 months we have engaged in community activities with QPARA, as well as our summer garden party, Coronation and Advent events. We invited people to reflect on how we care for God's creation during September and creation season. We also were able to offer Community Services for Remembrance Day, All Souls, Carols Service and Christmas. We have also been able to maintain our links with Laurence's Larder, Salusbury World, St Mungo's and local families in need - evidence of our generosity as well as our commitment to supporting the vulnerable. We have still been able to offer hospitality to many, and I think we should be proud of the fact that people feel safe in this building and welcomed!

We have continued to have good relationships with Islamia, the Al-Khoei Foundation, Al Sadiq and Al Zahra school, and Rainbow Montessori. Schools joined with us for Remembrance and Christmas services. We also continue our support of Christ Church School and they have worshipped here. I am also the Clergy Governor for Christ Church and lead worship there alternate weeks.

I would like to particularly offer thanks to our wardens Simon, Richard, Rhona and Alice for their continuing hard work, to our PCC for their engagement and work, and to Lee Gordon, Mark Haggard, Carolyne Franklin and Bob Vickers for their work in the garden; and Michael and Simon for their work on the accounts. Thank you to Henri and her amazing work with My Move; Alice and Ruth for continuing our small Sunday school team; to Sue, Lindsay, Caroline and Rhona who support Tea & Chat; to all who help in different ways with our worship on Sunday morning and afternoon; to our organists - David Till and Saw West. Thanks too for those who volunteer on our behalf at Laurence's larder, or collecting bread or at Salusbury world and in many other locations. I am also thankful for the work of Lesley Daisley as our Administrator, and to a small team of volunteers who help with opening and locking the building at different times. It is particularly good to be able to record thanks to all those who assist in small and sometimes unnoticed ways - from rubbish that disappears to sound systems which works. We are a community together - and without all your contributions we could not continue as effective as we do.

I continue to thank God each day for you all and pray that we continue to grow in faith, courage and hope.

### **3. Deanery Synod Report 2023** by Karen Ngo, Deanery Synod Rep.

Brent Deanery is the group of Anglican churches in the borough of Brent. There are 22 churches covering each local community in the borough; St Anne's has currently 2 lay vacancies on this council.

In 2023, the Synod held 3 meetings discussing Disability & Inclusion, Fundraising and Multi-Cultural worship. The Synod met in 2023 on three occasions:

#### **3.1 7th February 2023 at St Andrew's Church, Church Lane, Kingsbury HA9 8RZ**

Rev'd Preb John Beauchamp, London Diocese Disability Ministry Enabler spoke very eloquently and thoughtfully on "Disability & Inclusion in Today's Church". How more than 1 in 5 people have a physical, sensory, or mental shape that means that they are labelled as 'disabled' and as a church community, we should strive to be a place where no one is

disabled but all people are regarded as 'able' and are able to use their abilities to contribute to the shape and nature of the church. Resources on Disability & Inclusion can be accessed here: <https://www.london.anglican.org/support/ministry-and-vocations/disability-ministry>

### **3.2 21st June at St Gabriel's Church, Cricklewood**

Hannah Southgate who managed the Rekindling Project at St Andrew's Church, Kingsbury spoke of the joys, challenges, and pitfalls of fundraising. Apologies from St Annes.

### **3.3 Tuesday 7th November at St James', Alperton**

Rev'd Ali Taylor spoke of the diverse congregation at St James who have developed into an integrated multi-cultural worshipping community through meeting at different times on a Sunday to worship in different languages and traditions.

In addition, Bishop Lusa together with Archdeacon Catherine, Andrew Corsie (Area Director of Ministry), Christopher Ramsey (Area Director of Mission), hosted a series of Deanery Roadshows in the autumn:

- (i) to take stock of where the Diocese is at with its priorities and ambitions.
- (ii) to share good news stories of God at work in parishes across Willesden.
- (iii) to present some emerging thoughts about the specific charism that God is calling the Diocese to serve as an episcopal area.

## **4. Electoral Roll Report** by Bob Vickers, Electoral Roll Officer

In 2020, in line with Church representation guidelines, a full Electoral Roll was completed. The number of electors upon the Church Electoral Roll as prepared for the Annual Parochial Meeting was **105**.

This year-2024-we only need to update the roll. Notice was given that an update would begin in early February and be published on the noticeboard in Church in time for the APCM in March.

This process saw no movement in the overall numbers. The new roll records the same total number of **105**.

A full list of names is available upon request.

## **5. Financial Report** by Simon Judge, Churchwarden

The accounts for the year to 31 December 2023 (pages 7 and 8) look rather different to previous years. Previously, the income and expenditure relating to the building were the responsibility of the Joint Council, part of the Local Ecumenical Partnership with St Andrew's United Reformed Church and were reported in the Joint Council's accounts. Surplus funds were distributed to St Andrew's and St Anne's. The PCC's accounts covered the income and costs solely relating to the parish of St Anne's (primarily congregational giving and our contribution to the diocesan Common Fund).

From January 2023, the PCC has taken over responsibility for all costs and income relating to the building – putting us in the same position as most other parishes in the diocese. The income and expenditure statement (following page) splits transactions into four categories:

- a. **The General Fund**, which (as previously) covers our "normal" transactions: donations including gift aid tax relief - row A1, fundraising, Common Fund payments – row B5;

- b. **The Building Operations Fund** which covers the rental income generated by the building - rows A2 and A3, the running costs and maintenance costs for the building - rows B1 and B3, the parish administrator (row B2).
- c. **The Building Repair Fund** to hold funds for major repairs and improvements – row B4. This covers the lift works that were undertaken in 2022, and the door replacements – largely funded by insurance in 2023; and a
- d. **A Restricted Fund** that is used to hold grant income from the Willesden Consolidated Charities, that can only be spent on particular activities.

The comparative figures for 2022 are based on the separate accounts (published at the 2023 APCM) for the PCC and the Joint Council, but have been restated on the new basis (see notes 1-6 for details)

The operating surplus for each of the funds is shown at row C, which shows the building operations fund generates a surplus each year, which can then be transferred to the other funds – rows D1 + D2.

The overall operating deficit of £528 (row C) is an improvement on 2022, when the deficit was £7,617. This is caused by two factors, acting in opposite directions:

- the building repair fund funded £15,802 of major repair works to the lift in 2022. This cost was not repeated in 2023
- the operating costs of the building were significantly higher than in 2022. This reflects a number of factors, some of them one-off.

In setting our budget for 2024, the PCC wishes to deliver an overall surplus of around £4,000. A key component of this will be agreeing a new lease for the Rainbow Montessori nursery that operates in the building during the week, and work is progressing well on this. We will also launch a stewardship campaign to encourage parishioners and our other supporters to increase their voluntary giving – for which we are of course very grateful.

At the end of 2023, our overall reserves were nearly £38,000 – row F2. As the balance sheet shows, the vast majority of this is held as cash in our various bank accounts. Looking to the future, we should aim to strengthen the building repair reserve, so that we are prepared for any major or unexpected costs (similar to the lift) that may hit us in the future.

The report from our independent examiner, Kevin Ogilvie, is attached at page 11.

Finally, as the turnover of the PCC now exceeds £100,000, it is a requirement for us to formally register with the Charity Commission. This is a slow process, but is currently in hand. Registration will make little substantive difference to the operation of the PCC, whose members are now and will remain the Trustees of the charity, and so are required to operate within charity law.

**ST ANNE'S BRONDESBURY - 2023 ACCOUNTS - STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

Notes	2023					2022 (Note 1)				
	General Fund	Building Operations	Building repairs	Restricted Fund	TOTAL	General Fund	Building Operations	Building repairs	Restricted Fund	TOTAL
<b>A INCOMING RESOURCES</b>										
A1 Donations, regular and other giving, legacies	36,111	240			36,351	33,730	40		875	34,645
A2 Lettings - Rainbow Nursery		23,000			23,000		23,479			23,479
A3 Lettings - other tenants	280	39,370			39,650		35,424			35,424
A4 Investment income	628				628	68	126			194
A5 Fundraising and income from charitable activity	1,712				1,712	1,479				1,479
A6 Other income	1,301		5,620		6,921	733				733
A7 Total incoming resources	<b>40,032</b>	<b>62,610</b>	<b>5,620</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>108,262</b>	<b>36,009</b>	<b>59,069</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>95,953</b>
<b>B RESOURCES USED</b>										
B1 Building running costs	(745)	(35,452)			(36,197)		(25,666)			(25,666)
B2 Office administrator		(7,724)			(7,724)		(7,254)			(7,254)
B3 Building maintenance costs		(11,955)			(11,955)		(9,624)			(9,624)
B4 Major building repairs			(6,408)		(6,408)			(15,802)		(15,802)
B5 Common Fund	(42,000)				(42,000)	(40,000)				(40,000)
B6 Other charitable activities	(3,832)				(3,832)	(3,828)		(605)		(4,433)
B7 Cost of raising funds	(174)				(174)	(292)				(292)
B8 Governance costs (Independent examiner)	(500)				(500)	(500)				(500)
B9 Total spending	<b>(47,251)</b>	<b>(55,131)</b>	<b>(6,408)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(108,790)</b>	<b>(44,620)</b>	<b>(42,544)</b>	<b>(15,802)</b>	<b>(605)</b>	<b>(103,570)</b>
<b>C Operating surplus (A7 + B9)</b>	<b>(7,219)</b>	<b>7,479</b>	<b>(788)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(528)</b>	<b>(8,610)</b>	<b>16,525</b>	<b>(15,802)</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>(7,617)</b>
D1 Transfer to Building Reserve							(10,000)	10,000		
D2 Transfer to General Fund	7,000	(7,000)				7,200	(7,200)			
<b>E Net surplus / (deficit) (C + D1 + D2)</b>	<b>(219)</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>(788)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>(528)</b>	<b>(1,410)</b>	<b>(675)</b>	<b>(5,802)</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>(7,617)</b>
<b>F1 Opening Reserves</b>	14,019	3,404	19,224	1,693	38,340	15,429	4,079	25,026	1,423	45,957
<b>F2 Closing reserves (F1 + E)</b>	<b>13,800</b>	<b>3,883</b>	<b>18,436</b>	<b>1,693</b>	<b>37,812</b>	<b>14,019</b>	<b>3,404</b>	<b>19,224</b>	<b>1,693</b>	<b>38,340</b>

**ST ANNE'S BRONDESBURY - 2023 ACCOUNTS - BALANCE SHEET**

<b>Cash balances at the end of the year</b>		
G1 Joint Council current account (Handelsbanken)	4,931	9,742
G2 Joint Council deposit account (CCLF)	12,712	12,437
G3 PCC current account (HSBC)	14,716	10,501
G4 PCC deposit account (CCLA/CBF)	5,312	5,211
G5 Petty Cash	40	32
G6 Total cash	<u>37,711</u>	<u>37,923</u>
G7 PCC agency collections (payables/creditors)	(181)	0
G8 Receivables (debtors)	282	417
G9 Sub total non-cash assets	<u>101</u>	<u>417</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS (G6 + G9)</b>	<u><u>37,812</u></u>	<u><u>38,340</u></u>

**Notes**

- 1) The figures for 2022 consolidate the separate published accounts for that year in respect of the Joint Council of St Anne's and St Andrew's (columns two and three and the PCC of St Anne's Brondesbury (columns one and four). Various restatements have been made to improve clarity and ensure consistency between 2022 and 2023. See notes 2) 3) and 4) for more detail.
- 2) In the 2022 accounts, the £7,200 management fee was shown as expenditure in the Joint Council accounts and as income for the PCC accounts. This transaction is shown here as a transfer from the Building Operations fund to the General Fund.
- 3) In the 2022 PCC accounts, the payment to the common Fund was shown as £45,000. £5,000 of this was a late payment in respect of 2021, and should have been shown as a payable (creditor) in the 2022 opening balance sheet. In these accounts, the payment actually made in respect of 2022 is shown (£40,000). The 2022 opening balances and opening assets for the General Fund have been restated accordingly.
- 4) Within the Joint Council accounts for 2022, there have been various restatements to improve clarity and comparability. This has affected the split of expenditure between the Joint Council General and designated funds; the split of the opening reserves for that year; and the transfer of £10,000 in 2022 from the Building Operations fund to the Building reserve fund to start to replenish the latter, following the works on the lift. These adjustments have no effect on the overall results for 2022 for the Joint Council (the second and third columns taken together, an overall deficit of £6,243 at row E).
- 5) £5,620 of income (row A6) is in respect of an insurance claim for damage caused by a break-in during the year, which covered most of the associated costs (row B5). These two items form the only transactions impacting the Building repairs fund in 2023. The expenditure in 2022 (£15,802) was on the refurbishment of the lift.
- 6) Lettings income (row A3) is shown here as £235 lower than in the 2022 Joint Council accounts. This is due to an invoice issued in 2022 being cancelled after the year end.



## **6. Sunday School Report – Ministry with Young People**

The Sunday School has continued to run during school term-times. There are 5 very regular attendees who are school age (two secondary and 3 primary) with numbers sometimes increasing with visiting families. Pre-school children are also welcome to attend with older young people playing an active role in more flexible activities for the pre-schoolers when this is the case. The usual shape of a Sunday School session is to look in detail at the bible readings and undertake an activity allowing the young people to reflect on the theme/content from their own context. The Sunday school presents back to the congregation summarising their discussion/activity which is a positive way of the adult church affirming the children's ministry. Older members of the Sunday school are also included on the worship rota and the group lead intercessions on a regular basis.

Key services throughout the year have had greater involvement from young people such as Mothering Sunday, Christmas services and this year Harvest Festival (Creation Season) which the young people planned including a presentation featuring a time travellers' perspective on how those in the future might judge current attitudes to the environment. There are two principal teachers at Sunday school myself and Ruth Brennan but the children and young people also delight in direct contact with Mo C both formally and informally.

## **7. Social & Fundraising report by Maggie Gibbs**

We continue to make annual contributions to the important work of local charities: The food aid organisation, Laurence's Larder, provides food/meals for around 100 local people per week. We support this work weekly by facilitating congregation food donations and through members of our PCC organising and participating in bread and other food collections. We support Salusbury World, the local charity for refugee children and their families, via an annual donation and food vouchers. Finally, at Christmas, we deliver 'shoeboxes' containing useful items for the residents of St. Mungo's, Kilburn, such as stationery, toiletries and small items of clothing.

## **8. Queens Park Day report by Alice Hudson**

Once again, we were able to have a very visible presence at Queens Park day with the usual range of second hand books, toys and clothes as well as a cake stall. The stall was well supported by members of the congregation, and this enabled us to engage actively with the community. The event also provided opportunity for a number of the older young people / former Sunday school to play a part which was valued – particularly as the day was showery and was marked by periodic sheltering of the goods on sale ! The amount raised was £1,150 which was less than previous years but positive in the light of the rain. Donations of goods for Queens Park Day are always 'gifts which give twice' and those left over were recycled to a number of charity shops where possible after a follow-up 'yard-sale' in the vicarage forecourt proved impossible due to bad weather.

## **9. Tea and Chat**

Tea & Chat is now well established and flourishing every Friday from 2 to 4pm in the Rotunda. We have welcomed new members in the last 12 months and have had the Police drop in for tea and chat. Most Fridays we are able to appreciate David's organ playing. The fact that Tea and Chat is well attended proves that it fulfils a community need which thankfully Mother Christine provides and hosts, supported by Lindsay, Sue, Caroline and Rhona.

## **10. Safeguarding** report by Alice Hudson

The Parish Safeguarding policy was updated and approved at the PCC meeting in May 2023 and remains in line with the Parish Handbook for Safeguarding Handbook and London Diocesan guidelines. Safeguarding and Children's Champions posters are displayed within the building. Safeguarding is an agenda item of every PCC.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is Alice Hudson. There is a vacancy for a children's champion however details of the 24 hr contact of the Diocesan Safeguarding team are clearly signposted on the church website and on posters within church. There have been no safeguarding issues notified in the year since the last APCM.

## **11. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)**

In 2020 the PCC re-approved two policies to be compliant with GDPR requirements; one for post holders and one for non-post holders. All members of the congregation were invited to complete a consent form, and a further consent was added to the Electoral Roll form.

A GDPR audit was completed of our data storage and usage, and we have been working to ensure that we maintain compliance. There were no reported breaches in 2023.

GDPR is an agenda item of every PCC.

## **12. Conclusion**

We are very grateful to all members of the PCC for their contributions during the year, and for writing the relevant parts of the Annual Report above.

Richard Brindley & Simon Judge  
Churchwardens  
12<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Anne's Brondesbury.**

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 which are set out on pages 7-8 of the Annual Report.

### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (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 report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently 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**

*Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown below.*

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 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.

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Signed



Date 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024