



2023

Trustees Annual Report  
St Gregory's Crakehall  
(Reporting on the calendar year 2022)

## Aims and purposes

St Gregory's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Robin David Christopher Lawton, in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Gregory's Church, Crakehall.

## Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and Scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church of St Gregory's.

## Achievements and performance

### Worship and prayer

The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and the benefice, to which St Gregory's church belongs.

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services during the month and over the course of the year, that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, Morning Prayer is a quiet, intimate, and reflective environment for worship whilst opportunities are provided for people to engage in different styles of worship are offered through our well attended Simply Together family service. These along with our Mid-week and Holy Communion services provide a comprehensive offer for worship. As part of the Benefice of Lower Wensleydale other services are available across the other five parish churches in the benefice, including Simply Together, T.O.A.S.T. Café Church. Services with the offer of prayer for healing, Patronal services, services to mark the Agricultural year, along with services such as; Vigils and Compline at specific occasions during the church year are also offered. During the period of Covid St Gregory's church and the Benefice has also facilitated the attendance of a range of services through PhoneChurch. This continues with a regular PhoneChurch service enabling those unable to attend a service in person, able to participate over the phone.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life; in marriage, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing; through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life that is now complete in this world and commend the person into God's keeping.

Following an easing of Covid-19 restrictions following a discussion with the benefice council the Rector reintroduced the common cup at communion. This was well received and assurances were given to those who wished to keep receiving only the bread that this had always been a normal practice in the Anglican Church for those who needed special provision.

Following the death of Her Late Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, St Gregory's was opened to provide a place of welcome and peace for villagers to gather, be supported and comforted in their grief Refreshments were available, candles could be lit, and prayers or memories written and shared or simply come together in quiet reflection.

In October we held a harvest service of thanksgiving followed by a soup and roll lunch which was very enjoyable. This year we supported the work of the Addington Fund who had kindly loaned us 'Tractor Jack' for the Hunton Steam Fair and who stayed for several months. Jack visited several of the Churches in the Benefice and was much admired by the schoolchildren at their harvest festival. With the Rector driving 'Jack' led the funeral procession from Crakehall to Bedale for Malcolm Gill's funeral, with Stuart Shield on a matching 'Little Grey Fergie'.

Once again, we were fortunate to have Owen join us to play the last post and reveille on his tenor horn at the Remembrance service in November, which was greatly appreciated.

We held our usual Christmas service which included a Simply Together Christingle service, Lessons and Carol service and an enjoyable and well attended service on Christmas day which included once again a live Nativity tableau. Beer and carols in the village pub were enjoyed by all those who attended.

On the third Thursday of the month, there is a Prayer Meeting via PhoneChurch. This is when special Prayers are offered for healing and the Prayer list is updated.

### Church Fabric Report

The organ was tuned in January followed by a replacement organ pedal in May.

The windows were cleaned inside and out and the gutters and down comes cleared in May.

We had an issue with the council about an overhanging tree in May. They refused to collect the bins from the houses beyond the church as they said that the overhanging tree could damage the refuse lorry. Fortunately, this did not take too long to get sorted out and the offending branches was dealt with under list B and shortened planning permission.

In September we commissioned a ground-based risk and condition assessment of the trees in the church yard. The report came back stating that no trees were classed as offering a moderate or high risk. Some trees require low level maintenance.

The clock remains stopped whilst we continue to raise funds for the much needed repairs. Towards the end of the year, we noted that some of the bells were working intermittently and not ringing out loudly. They require some attention, which we hope will happen alongside the clock repairs, whilst we have the scaffolding erected. There is of course going to be an extra cost incurred to repair the bells.

### Mission and evangelism

Along with the other parishes in our benefice we have been able to reach out to our community on a number of occasions throughout the year at events such as.

- Platinum Jubilee Events
- Village Fetes
- The Wensleydale Agricultural Show
- Hunton Steam Gathering

The Easter Garden, Remembrance Soldier, and Outdoor Nativity Scene were once again prepared and displayed outside the west end of church. This was very much admired by the villagers and attracted the attention of visitors.

In May, Grace and Simon Stretton Downes came home for a visit from Liberia where they are serving with 'Serving In Mission' (SIM) an international, interdenominational Evangelical Christian mission organization. Simon is leading a Dental project and Grace assisting with the Nursing provision at the ELWA site. They gave a presentation in church after a Sunday service, at St Andrew's Finghall at a gathered Benefice Service and at the Village Hall, which included a film of their work in Africa and a time to hear how the work is making a real difference to people's lives and wellbeing.

Rev'd Chris continued his role as a chaplain to the Agricultural Community through his membership of the 'Agricultural Chaplains Association' & Yorkshire Churches Rural Business Support'. Principally this is through the Mart at Leyburn but also through visits to individual farms and businesses as well as through advocacy on farming issues.

Rev'd Chris also sits as a board member on several local charities and supports the deanery and diocese in active membership of the Area Mission and Pastoral Committee and the Leeds Board of Patronage.

### Youth Club

A simple traditional Youth Club, sharing the gospel message. Each time we meet young people and parents regularly express their gratitude and say 'thank you'. Youth Club is part of our mission to young people in our community and meets monthly throughout the year and relies on volunteers to run. Approximately 25 young people attend from years 6-9 at school. The focus of a typical evening is centred around games and activities. Reflective moments and prayer remain part of our habit and the young people appear very comfortable with this set up. Tuck shop and social time encourages friends to catch up and enjoy each other's company in a safe, relaxed environment. With very little cost to run, we did apply to the Educational Trust for a sum to restock on some well used equipment.

At Christmas, presents were wrapped, and cards written to unknown individuals in Bedale who receive 'Meals on Wheels'. More than 30 gifts were distributed in the week before Christmas and thanks was received from the organisation and some individuals and their families.

There have been no safeguarding issues to report in the year and all volunteers are trained and suitably qualified to work with young people (registered with the Safeguarding Officer with Enhanced DBS certificates); financial and attendance records are kept, as well as contact details in accordance with GDPR regulations and for auditing purposes. We are members of North Yorkshire Youth receiving some support from the youth worker in return for submissions of data. The Youth Group team are Louise Shepherd, Colin and Gilly Bartram, Peter Lohmeyer & Trevor Starkey

### Safeguarding

There were no safeguarding issues to report.

All members of the PCC held valid DBS checks.

### Fundraising and Events

After the socially lean period of the lockdown, it was lovely to be able to arrange some fundraising activities again.

Audrey kindly opened her house and garden in June 2022. Various stalls, games, refreshments, a tombola and a draw proved a great success and £1,165 was raised for the Clock fund.

Myra gave a most interesting talk on her early life in Crakehall at an event held in the village hall. Pie and pea suppers were enjoyed along with an exhibition of documents and photographs. There was a bar and a draw and £1,130 was raised.

In November we were treated to a Saturday lunchtime flautist concert by some of Trevor Starkey's young music pupils, which was most enjoyable.

### Financial review

Our annual accounts have been prepared using the Receipts and Payments method. This report illustrates our financial position at our year end 31st December 2022.

The figures in the accompanying tables (Appendix 1) are supported by full records of expenditure and receipts. The total funds available in 2022 were £10,145, down from £13,403 in 2021. Of these, £3,255 were general and unrestricted funds, £4,589 were designated for particular projects such as building improvements (mainly the money raised for repairs to the Clock), and £2,300 were restricted funds (mostly held pending redistribution for the cancelled Wydale Hall weekend, and for the Youth Club activities).

Income for the year was £30,883 and payments were £34,140 (compared to £19,184 and £60,367, respectively, in 2021). The lower level of payments in 2022 than the previous year reflects the fact that most expenditure on the new kitchen project took place in 2021, although there was a final payment in 2022. If this element is excluded the level of outgoings in 2022 is £25,937, which is much closer to the level of 2021.

Church giving either directly to the bank or on the plate at Services raised £14,553 in 2022 compared to £12,880 in the previous year. When the money raised for the Clock (£4,449) is also taken into account, this represents a significant improvement and brings the money raised in 2022 closer to levels prior to the Covid restrictions.

In 2022 a SumUp card reader was also purchased for use at Services and other fund-raising events – this raised £244 in 2022. However, broadband access at the Church is likely to increase the use of this facility in future.

The PCC has continued to meet its obligations throughout the year including paying a Parish Share request from the Diocese of £13,935.

We have recently received a letter of thanks from Bishop Nick for our full payment of the 2022 Share; the Share for 2023 has been set at the £14,833.

The enclosed tables highlight restricted funds of £1,852 held for the Wydale Hall Retreat and Conference Centre. This is the total of contributions received in 2020 for the retreat; however, it was not possible to go ahead with this and at the year-end payments from prospective attendees were returned to them.

The spending on energy (electricity and gas) rose from £748 in 2021 to £1,087 in 2022 (£1254 so far in 2023), as higher charges began to bite at the year end. However, a grant of £900 from the Church Commissioners towards the end of the year have assisted us in meeting the increased charges for energy.

The PCC funds are held in an account with Barclays Bank. Interest-bearing fixed-term bond accounts with the Skipton building society matured in summer 2021. Later in 2022 a linked Barclays online saving account was set up, but this was mainly for the convenience of managing funds rather than the interest it bore (£1).

The online payments process, which was instigated in 2020, continued to operate smoothly in 2022, with Mary Bishop-Hunt providing the second authorization of payments to suppliers etc. Angus Maude was responsible for reclaiming gift aid from HMRC of £883, although a further claim submitted in early 2023 covered part of the 2022 financial year.

The accounts for 2021 have been reviewed by Jess Randall, Independent Examiner (see attached report). We are most grateful for Jess in undertaking this work.

### Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds that equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments. Based on pre-covid 2019 expenditure, this is equivalent to £ 6,390. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £3,259 held on unrestricted funds at the year-end fell short of this.

### Volunteers

We would like to thank all volunteers who make our Church the lively and vibrant community it is, and in particular, the Church Warden, Gill Bartram along with the PCC.

Although Myra Shield stood down as a Church Warden, she still works tirelessly for the Church along with a regular team of volunteer organisers and helpers involved in all aspects of worship. Organists and musicians, Graham Bishop-Hunt, Peter Gaven and Trevor Starkey. Sound reproduction, refreshments, organising the reading and intercession rota, readers and intercessors themselves, flower arranging and upkeep of the building and grounds. Rosemary has continued her sterling work managing the worship rota for which we are very grateful.

The Lay Worship Leaders are Myra Shield and Pauline Irwin. They are regularly involved in Services of Morning Prayer and Pauline is also part of the Simply Together worship team as are Dan Wilkins and Paul Durrant along with Liz Ramsay who help with Childrens' activities at this service.

We are very grateful to Pat Manners and Stuart Shield who help us in making sure the church is open and closed daily.

We are also indebted to everyone who assists when Special fundraisers are held.

## Deanery Synod Wensley Deanery Synod Report

The incumbent and one elected lay member of the PCC sits on the Deanery Synod, there remains one lay vacancy. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the Church.

This year has been dominated by a discussion of net zero carbon and environmental issues. The aim was to allow the subject to be thoroughly discussed with feedback from PCCs, and actions undertaken. The actions needs to continue if we are to reach net zero by 2030 and

the feedback was patchy and so the relation between deanery and PCCs needs to be worked on.

This year has seen us continue with a nearly full complement of clergy. The only gap being the curate post in Lower Swale which remains unfilled.

Throughout the year the Deanery Synod met five times

- 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Zoom
- 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022 in person at Chantry Hall in Bedale for a prophetic talk by Bishop Helen Anne
- 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022 in person at St. Michael's Church, Kirklington
- 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in person at St Matthew's Church Leyburn
- 15<sup>th</sup> November 2022 by Zoom

There have been presentations by

1. Environmental and Zero Carbon Plan – Rev'd Jeff Payne
2. Bishop Helen Anne – What it means to be a Rural Church
3. Rev'd Jeff Payne and Jemima Parker, Diocese Environment Officer on the diocesan Environmental and Zero Carbon Plan.
4. Dave Bookless from A Rocha International on the Theology of Environmental Care
5. Anne Readshaw about biodiversity
6. There have been discussions on
7. Environmental and Zero Carbon Plans
8. Feedback from PCCs on the environment

The following Deanery events were undertaken:

- Ascension Day Open Air joint service with the Methodists at Jervaulx Abbey Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May
- Members of the deanery supported the Wensleydale show with the Church on Show Stand

## Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Gregory's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwarden and members elected by those who are on the electoral roll of the church.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Crakehall PCC met on four occasions during the year, in March, May, July and November. All the meetings were held at St Gregory's except the November meeting, which Myra kindly hosted at Burtree Cottage.

Attendance at meetings has been good and there have been no changes to the Council during this year.

The AMP & APCM was held on May 8<sup>th</sup> 2022.

The PCC was present at the Vestry meeting and the APCM, with 1 other member of the Parish and 3 apologies were received. The PCC hosted a gathered PCC which was held on October 13<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Crakehall Village Hall.

Each month, there have been Leader's meeting/Conference calls via PhoneChurch or meeting in person at St Gregory's to link PCCs across the Benefice and Crakehall PCC has always been well represented.

### **Administrative information**

St Gregory's Church is part of the Wensley Deanery in the Diocese of Leeds within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Patrick Brompton, DL8 1JN. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020) and a charity currently excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

Attendance at meetings has been good and there have been no changes to the Council during this year.

#### **Ex-Officio Members**

- The Incumbent Revd R D C Lawton

#### **Wardens:**

- Mrs Gillian Bartram
- Mrs Myra Shield (til May 2022)
- Vacant Seat

#### **Denery Synod:**

- Mr Angus Maude - Vice Chair
- Two Vacant Seats

#### **Elected Members**

- Mary Bishop-Hunt - Secretary
- Richard Blows - Treasurer
- Stuart Shield
- Trevor Starkey
- Two Vacant Seats

#### **Electoral Roll**

There were 50 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, of whom 14 are not resident within the parish.

### **Trustees Annual Report Approval**



Approved by the PCC on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023  
and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Chris Lawton (PCC chairman)



## Appendix 1

### Receipts and Payments Financial Statement

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
<b>Receipts</b>						
<i>Receipts from generated funds</i>						
<b>Voluntary income</b>						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	6,634	—	—	—	6,634	6,849
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	3,789	—	—	—	3,789	2,693
0201 - Other planned giving	600	—	—	—	600	133
0301 - Loose plate collections	3,530	—	—	—	3,530	2,605
0302 - Loose plate collections not GASDS	29	—	—	—	29	73
0401 - Regular gift days	—	—	—	—	—	—
0410 - Giving through church boxes	42	—	—	—	42	—
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	—	—	—	—	—	—
0510 - Gifts of quoted securities	—	—	—	—	—	—
0540 - DONATIONS APPEALS GIFT AIDED	—	4,625	—	—	4,625	—
0550 - Donations appeals etc	907	100	—	—	1,007	112
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	883	—	—	—	883	3,142
0701 - Legacies	—	—	—	—	—	—
0801 - Recurring grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	4,500	1,200	—	—	5,700	537
0901 - Other funds generated	1,009	—	—	—	1,009	—
915 - Special events GASDS	—	—	—	—	—	—
916 - Special events yellow envelopes	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Voluntary income Sub-totals</b>	<b>21,926</b>	<b>5,925</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>27,852</b>	<b>16,146</b>
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>						
0910 - Fund raising sales etc	289	311	—	—	600	72
0920 - Tuck shop sales	—	—	—	—	—	—
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	—	—	—	—	—	—
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	—	—	—	—	—	—
1260 - Parish magazine sales	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Activities for generating funds Sub-totals</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Investment income</b>						
1001 - Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—
1020 - Bank and building society interest	1	—	—	—	1	233
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Investment income Sub-totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>233</b>
<b>Receipts from generated funds Totals</b>	<b>22,218</b>	<b>6,236</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>28,454</b>	<b>16,452</b>

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
<i>Receipts from charitable activities</i>						
<b>Receipts from charitable activities</b>						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	2,428	—	—	—	2,428	2,732
<i>Receipts from charitable activities Totals</i>						
	2,428	—	—	2,428	2,732	
<i>Other receipts</i>						
<b>Other receipts</b>						
1310 - Insurance claims	—	—	—	—	—	—
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Other receipts Sub-totals</b>						
	—	—	—	—	—	—
<i>Other receipts Totals</i>						
	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Receipts Grand totals</b>						
	24,646	6,236	—	—	30,883	19,184

## Payments

### *Cost of generating funds*

#### **Cost of generating voluntary income**

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	—	—	—	—	—	—
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	—	—	—	—	—	—
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	—	586	—	—	586	30
1740 - Investment management costs	—	—	—	—	—	—

#### **Cost of generating voluntary income Sub-totals**

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#### **Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs**

2502 - Tuck shop purchases	—	—	—	—	—	—
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#### **Fundraising trading cost of goods sold and other costs Sub-totals**

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#### **Cost of generating funds Totals**

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	616	—	—	—	616	392
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	—	—	—	—	—	—
1850 - Home mission	802	—	978	—	1,780	—
1870 - Secular charities	1,162	—	—	—	1,162	512
1901 - Stipends quota	—	—	—	—	—	—
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	13,935	—	—	—	13,935	15,774
1920 - Statutory fees paid to DBF	883	—	—	—	883	211
1930 - Deanery Levy	90	—	—	—	90	135
2001 - Assistant staff costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	—	—	—	—	—	—
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	1,781	—	—	—	1,781	199
2170 - Education	—	—	—	—	—	260
2201 - Parish training and mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
2211 - Youth Club Expenses	—	—	324	—	324	—
2301 - Church running - insurance	1,289	—	—	—	1,289	1,250
2310 - Church office - telephone	—	—	—	—	—	—
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	372	—	—	—	372	—
2330 - Church maintenance	1,549	—	—	—	1,549	2,731
2331 - Cleaning	535	—	—	—	535	340
2340 - Upkeep of services	—	1,059	—	—	1,059	65
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	96	—	—	—	96	—
2360 - Administration	4,900	1	—	—	4,902	651
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	—	—	—	—	—	—
2380 - ORGANIST	935	—	—	—	935	510
2390 - Vergers fee	—	—	—	—	—	—
2401 - Church running - electric	538	—	—	—	538	428
2410 - Church running - gas	549	—	—	—	549	320
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	2,125
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	1,154	—	—	—	1,154	34,430
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
2920 - New building Church	—	—	—	—	—	—
2930 - New building Hall	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Charitable activities Totals</b>	<b>31,191</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,302</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>33,554</b>	<b>60,337</b>
<b>Governance costs</b>						
<b>Governance costs</b>						
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Governance costs Totals</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Payments Grand totals</b>	<b>31,191</b>	<b>1,646</b>	<b>1,302</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>34,140</b>	<b>60,367</b>

Statement of assets and liabilities  
as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

**Balance Sheet detailed**

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
<b>Current assets</b>		
6501: Bank current account	3,047.01	13,281.49
6505: Bank deposit account	6,976.90	—
6520: SBS Branch Account	—	—
6530: SBS 2 year bond 2015	—	—
6540: SBS 3 year bond 2014	—	—
6541: SBS 1 Year Fixed Bond Issue 93	—	—
6542: SBS 1 Year Fixed Bond Issue 91	—	—
6590: Cash in hand	29.83	29.83
6594: Debtors and prepayments	—	—
6595: Tuck shop stock	91.73	91.73
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>10,145.47</b>	<b>13,403.05</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
6610: Accrued expenses	—	—
Z04: Accounts Payable	—	—
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>10,145.47</b>	<b>13,403.05</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess / (deficit) to date	(3,257.58)	—
Z01: Starting balances	13,403.05	13,403.05
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>10,145.47</b>	<b>13,403.05</b>

<b>Represented by Funds</b>		
Unrestricted	3,255.36	9,004.51
Designated	4,589.64	—
Restricted	2,300.47	4,398.54
Endowment	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,145.47</b>	<b>13,403.05</b>

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
	£	£
<b>Current assets</b>		
Stocks and work in progress	91	91
Cash at bank and in hand	10,053	13,311
	<u>10,145</u>	<u>13,403</u>
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>13,403</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>13,403</u>
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>13,403</u>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
Unrestricted - General fund	3,255	9,004
<b>Designated</b>		
Designated - Building Clock Project	4,449	—
Designated - Crakehall Educational Trust	140	—
<b>Restricted</b>		
Restricted - ALPHA	—	—
Restricted - Fabric incl Repointing Project	—	—
Restricted - COBER HILL	—	0
Restricted - COMPASSION	—	(4)
Restricted - FRESH EXPRESSIONS	—	—
Restricted - FUNERALS SPECIFIED CHARITY	—	0
Restricted - MARRICK PRIORY	—	—
Restricted - WYDALE HALL	1,852	3,630
Restricted - YOUTH CLUB	448	772
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<u>10,145</u>	<u>13,403</u>

## Independent Examiner's Report

I report on the financial statements of the Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 which are set out on the previous pages.

### Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees

The Church Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The Church's trustees consider that an audit is not required this year under Section 145 (1)(a) of the Charities Act 2011 and that an independent examination is required.

### Respective responsibility of the independent examiner:

To examine the financial statement under Section 145 (1)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

To follow the procedure laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (3) of the 2011 act.

To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

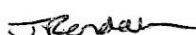
### Basis of the independent examiner's report:

My examination has been carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting record kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statement presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanation from the Treasurer 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 whether the financial statement present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiners Statement:

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 137 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 act have not been met; or
- To which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed 

Dated 7/5/23

Jessica Randall, 2 West Terrace, Crakehall, DL8 1HW

## Appendix 2

### Rectors Report

2022 was another challenging year for us in the Benefice, however we continued to faithfully fulfil our mission in service to the community and worship of God. As in 2021 we saw changes to the pattern of gathering due to the ongoing concerns over Covid-19, however as the year progressed people started to return to something like pre-pandemic norms. Numbers attending services significantly improved towards the end of the year and it was a joy to return to social gatherings again. As a benefice, we continue to grow together and for that I am deeply grateful. We made big strides in safeguarding training and certification and for that I am thankful to our PCC's and especially Julie. In terms of governance, we are still desperately short of officers and roll holders and this is now a pressing need that must be addressed. I am once again thankful to all who come together to be the church here in Lower Wensleydale and recognise the immense privilege it is to continue to serve this community.