

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST  
MIDSOMER NORTON**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
and  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
of the  
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018

Incumbent:

Rev Christopher G Chiplin

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Independent Examiner:

Mrs L Dunnill

Registered Charity 1143117

# **PCC ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, MIDSOMER NORTON**

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## **Background**

St John's Church, Midsomer Norton has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, Christopher Chiplin, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

## **Membership**

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. Members of the PCC are either *ex officio* or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Incumbent: Rev Christopher Chiplin Chairman

Churchwardens: Mr Tony Daniels Vice-chairman  
up to APCM 2018 Mrs Carol Moore Vice-chairman

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after APCM 2018 Mrs Shirley Blackbourn Vice-chairman

Deanery Synod Representatives: Beth Davies, Colin Tincknell, Maureen West  
up to APCM 2018

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after APCM 2018

Elected members: Helen Bailey, Shirley Blackbourn, Linda Broadhurst  
up to APCM 2018 Lyn Hughes, Gary Lewis, Margaret Marshall,  
Les Martindale, David Moore, Christine Plummer

Elected members: Helen Bailey, Linda Broadhurst, Pat Clynes  
after APCM 2018 Rebecca Daly, Tony Daniels, Lyn Hughes, Gary Lewis, Margaret Marshall,  
Les Martindale, David Moore,  
Christine Plummer

Treasurer Maureen West

Secretary Margaret Marshall

Safeguarding Officer Gary Lewis

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## **Committees**

### *Standing Committee*

This is the only committee required by law. There has to be a minimum of five members, the incumbent and church wardens being *ex officio*. It is usual to have the PCC treasurer and secretary on the Standing Committee. The committee has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Standing Committee members  
up to APCM 2018

Rev C Chiplin, Tony Daniels,  
Carol Moore, Maureen West,  
Margaret Marshall, Shirley Blackbourn

Standing Committee members  
after APCM 2018

Rev C Chiplin, Carol Moore, Shirley Blackbourn  
Maureen West, Margaret Marshall

### *Sub-committees*

Finance

Premises

Pastoral, Mission, Outreach, & Communications

The above committees presented reports at PCC meetings where relevant

The Social Committee worked hard during 2018 (see events in review of the year below)

## **Electoral Roll and Church Attendance**

There are 105 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 30 of whom are not resident in the parish. The Churchwardens are asked to count their congregations annually and also assess the number of regular attenders. In 2018 the number of regular churchgoers was assessed at 76. These figures partially establish the Parish Share to the Diocesan Common Fund (used mainly for clergy stipends and parsonage houses). The other factor is self-assessed ability to pay and Midsomer Norton is in category E. A new rating system was introduced in 2012 with categories ranging from A to G.

## **Review of the Year**

The full PCC met 5 times during the year. The average attendance was 82%

The Standing Committee met between meetings, and minutes of these meetings were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Business matters covered finance, Parish Share, church hall, both the open and closed churchyards, the Parish Safeguarding Policy, Data Protection, Waste Collection, Deanery Synod Draft Pastoral Plan, Health and Safety, St John's School, Parish Office, Parish Administrator, Church Representation Rules, Sunday Service times, Pew Cushions.

St John's School held services in church, during school time, including School Masses, Easter Services and Christmas Carol Services. An after-school service was held in church for Christingle and was well attended.

St John's Musical Youth gave a performance entitled 'Blast from the Past' as their last production, after which the group disbanded.

Successful fund raising events have included Spring and Autumn Lunchtime Concerts, Sunday & Harvest Lunches, Wine Tasting, Sing Along Film Evening (Singing in the Rain), a 'Guess Who' Cheese & Wine Evening and the Christmas Fair.

The Standing Committee decided, that instead of the Summer Fair, a Gift Day would be held in church and this proved most successful.

St John's had a stall at Midsomer Norton Town Fayre.

St John's bellringers responded to the request from the Government who had asked that church bells were rung at 12-30pm on Sunday 11 November to commemorate the centenary of the WW1 Armistice.

There has been a good support for the coffee mornings held on Tuesday mornings.

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**Financial Statements** (see separate sheets)

## **Report on Fabric, Goods and Ornaments (Churchwardens)**

### *Church*

There has been no major work in the church

It was decided to have pew cushions made to make sitting more comfortable.

Two quotations were requested from different firms. Past & Present Upholstery were chosen as they are local to Midsomer Norton.

The first cushions have been made and all can see how they look

Many thanks to the team of gardeners for keeping the grass cut and the flower beds neat & tidy

### *Churchyards*

New hand rails have been put in along both sides of the slope on the path leading from the Church Hall to the church

### *Church Hall*

The interior has been decorated. Again a big thank you to all who helped with this project.

New fire doors had been fitted by Mark Dixon along with new handrails by the doors

Water is leaking through the roof and this work is still in hand

Gutters have been cleared and the yew tree trimmed away from the roof and the road

## **Deanery Synod Report**

Fr. Matthew Street from Peasedown St John was appointed our Area Dean - (the title of the post having been changed from Rural Dean).

We held three meetings in 2018, all starting with an act of worship led by the host church.

The main project for the year was the 'Deanery Mission & Evangelism Plan'

1. Each parish is expected to be engaged in at least one new mission activity that does not clash with another church and we at St John's started our 'Coffee in Church' activity that takes place each Tuesday morning.
2. To build our support of schools at all age levels and to encourage each parish to support at least one school within the deanery and to jointly look at employing a schools worker for the deanery.
3. It is hoped that a Deanery web site will be set up.
4. The production of a film of the deanery with each church having 30 seconds of time on it to give an insight into their particular form of worship. St John's has been filmed and we await the finished product.

It is planned to hold a joint Sunday service annually for all parishes to meet together as one. This was and is to be held at St Johns as it is the largest church in the deanery. The first service was really well attended and will be repeated with a few modifications. We also had a deanery 'Come and Sing Carols of your choice' again successfully hosted by St John's.

Each meeting we have an update from a representative of the Food Bank.

Every Sunday we have a news update from each parish taken in rotation which helps us keep up to date with each other.

On behalf of the PCC

Chairman C G Chiplin (Vicar)

Date

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## **Financial Report 2018**

The report below reflects the main points of interest for the various funds. The Treasurer is assisted by the Finance team and Covenants Secretary. Our Independent Examiner Lynn Dunnill has examined the accounts and verified their contents. The members of the PCC are the Trustees and Rev C Chiplin is the chairperson.

During 2018 the full Parish Share of £50,776 was made, on time, from the General Fund. The Parish Share is set by Bath & Wells Diocesan Board of Finance and is calculated on an average number of the congregation and the economic level of the parish.

The seventh instalment of the 10 year loan, for the Restoration works, of £8,200 together with the interest due was made from the Fabric Fund.

Making these large payments on time and in full is only made possible by the continued generosity of each of our members, friends and sponsors. Over the years they have been prepared to give not only considerable amounts in financial terms, but also in time and donations to support our many fundraising events and ensuring the fabric of our buildings and estate is maintained. The trustees would like to thank each and every-one of you for your continued support in both financial terms and with the generosity of your time and contributions

### **General Fund Account**

The main expenditure from the General Fund is the Parish Share. This is set by Bath & Wells and covers the cost of the clergy stipend, house and training. It also includes the full support provided by Bath & Wells for training, stewardship advisors, legal advice, and use of parish buying and many other services.

For the year 2018 the PCC again set a target for a balanced budget of Income received to the Payments made. Unfortunately, the target was not achieved and an overspend of £3,318 occurred.

This is an extremely taxing target.

### **Receipts**

The total Receipts for 2018 were £79,965 against an amount for 2017 of £71,661 showing an increase of £8,304. This is partly due to a change in accounting policies with the churchyard income of £4,820 being transferred into the General Account as it is no longer Restricted Income. Also the fund raising from the 2018 Gift Day was restricted income to be used to fund the Parish Administrator, and these payments are in the general account, also the 2017 Gift Day amount of £1,400 was transferred from the Fabric Fund into this account to be used for the funding of the Administrator who was appointed in January 2018.

The main change is that the hall bookings increased during the year from £7,272 in 2017 to £8,413. The fees income reduced from £12,976 to £9,893 in 2018. The fee income is variable year on year and outside of the control of the PCC, it consists of the fees due to the PCC for funerals and weddings.

### **Charity Collections**

Collections and donations for the various outside charities that we support amounted to £1,669 direct from our accounts with an additional £150 sent from the closing of the Traidcraft account to Send a Cow. The donations listed in this section reflect the actual cash received, the congregation also supports charities such as Children's Hospice South West, Macmillan Cancer Support, Samaritans Purse, Foodbank and others, where giving is also in time and resources.

### **Trading Activities**

The hall lettings showed an increase of £1,141 on 2017, this is mainly due to the work undertaken by the hall booking secretary ensuring we receive maximum bookings.

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## **Payments**

The overall payments during 2018 increased by £4,661 from £72,743 in 2017 to £77,404 in 2018. The payments are continually being monitored, and the contracts are being analysed to obtain the lowest rates possible, The main points to note are:

### **Parish Share**

The Parish Share represents the main payment from the General Fund making up 65.6% of our total 2018 payments and was an increase of £1,098 on 2017.

### **Church Management and Administration**

These increased by £2,938 mainly following the appointment of the Parish Administrator on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018. Together with telephone and Wi-Fi costs associated with the Parish Office.

### **Utilities**

Water is supplied by Water2Business and they found an accounting error and so invoices in 2018 were received for previous years sewerage charges as this had been omitted from their original invoices. The Gas and electricity charges also increased, and we have been advised of further increases for 2019.

### **Church Hall**

During 2018 some repairs and maintenance were required, with the major item being the replacement of the Fire Exit doors, this cost £995. During 2019 work is to be undertaken on the hall lobby roof and quotations are awaited. Our grateful thanks to all of our many volunteers who help with the general repairs and maintenance of the hall, therefore keeping the costs at the current low level.

## **Restricted Income and Payments**

### **CHARITY COLLECTIONS-**

Charity collections for specific purposes are shown in the restricted funds columns. In 2018 the following payments were made to charities: -

	£
Children's Society	223
Bishops Lent appeal	330
Christian Aid (General)	146
Poppy Appeal	198
Macmillan – Brave the Shave Helen Bailey	60
Young Carers (includes £200 from Traidcraft)	712
	<b>£1,669</b>

## **Churchyard Account**

In 2018 the fee income for the churchyard was reclassified as Unrestricted income and included within the General fund. This was following consultation with Bath & Wells. Previous years income had been classified as Restricted income and will remain so and used solely for the upkeep of the churchyard. As at the end of this reporting period the total restricted income for the use of the churchyard is £8,239.

The main payment during 2018 was for the replacement of wooden hand rails throughout the closed churchyard with metal railings for £1,505.

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## Fabric Fund Account

The first aim of the Fabric Fund is to ensure that the funds are raised and available to make the annual repayment on the loan. The seventh instalment of £8,200 was made in full and on time. Fabric Fund receipts are shown in the restricted funds columns. The breakdown for 2018 is as shown below.

### 2018 Main Payments

Repayment of Loan & interest – 3 yrs. remaining	8,470
Clearance of sumps and drainpipes	540
Extending drainage system & fees	571

### Main Receipts

Monthly Planned Giving	1,865
Donations for Pew cushions	2,966
Donations and other giving	2,520
Income tax refund	2,060
Bank Interest	112
Ann Harris Grant	3,000
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>12,523</b>

### Fund Raising

Wine Tasting	660
Lunchtime concerts	2,881
Lent Lunch	766
Cheese & Wine	332
Film Evening	515
Harvest Lunch	752
Christmas Fayre	1,402

**Sub total 7,308**

**Main Payments ONLY 9,581**

**Total 19,831**

Payments also include Purchase of Lectern Mic, and archaeology fees

**This account includes £2,966 restricted for Pew Cushions together with an estimated gift aid of £550 making a total of £3,516**

**The balance of the Fookes donation of £6,600**

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## General Account

### Cash Book - January to December

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
		Balance b/f 2017 Gift Day	1,401
		Planned Giving:	
Ministry: parish share	50,776	Gift Aid donations inc. Gift Day	37,355
clergy expenses	3,210	Income tax recoverable on Gift	
other clergy costs		Aid	10,940
Church Running Expenses	4,697	Other planned Giving inc Gift Day	4,203
Church Utilities	2,375	Collections at all Services	4,475
		Bell Ringers Donations	355
Upkeep of Service	2,023	Sundry Donations non -recurring	
Magazine & Bookstall	476	inc hire church	450
Church Hall	5,328	Sundry Donations recurring	715
Honoraria and Support Costs		Magazines	914
(inc. Administrator)	5,844	Bookstall	102
<i>In accts under Church Management &amp; Admin</i>		Gift Day 2018	1,548
Stationery and Equip. inc. phone & Wi-Fi in		Church Hall Lettings	8,413
office	1,289	General Fees- weddings heating	
Governance Costs	100	admin	2,673
Miscellaneous & grants	292		
Major Repair Hall - Fire Exit	995		
		<b>Income from investments</b>	
		Bank & CBF Interest	517
		Wayleaves	27
Charity Donations	1,669	Charity Donations	1,669
	<b>79,073</b>		<b>75,755</b>

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**Excess Expenditure over Income    £3,318**

### Churchyard 2018 Cash Book - January to December

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>2018</b>
	<b>£</b>		<b>£</b>
Upkeep of Churchyard- mower & Misc.	2,391	Investment Income	66
		Churchyard fees	7,220
		Donation	20
	<b>2,391</b>		<b>7,306</b>

**Excess Income over Expenditure    £4,915**

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2018

### 1 POLICIES ADOPTED BY THE TRUSTEES

<p>The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 on the Receipts and Payments Basis.</p> <p><b>Funds</b> General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.</p> <p>The accounts 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.</p> <p><b>Receipts</b> <i>Voluntary income and capital sources</i> Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants or gift aid donations is recognised when the income is received by or on behalf of the PCC. An estimate for the outstanding value is identified as an asset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Grants and legacies to the PCC are recognised when the income is received. The value is identified as an asset in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Funds raised by fetes, garden parties and similar events are accounted for gross. Sale of books and magazines from the Church bookstall are accounted for gross. <i>Other ordinary receipts</i> Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received. <i>Receipts from investments</i> Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. <i>Gains and losses on investments</i> Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.</p>	<p><b>Payments</b> <i>Grants</i> Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over. If that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC it is noted as a liability in the Statement of assets and Liabilities. <i>Activities directly relating to the work of the Church</i> The diocesan parish share is accounted for when payable. Any amount unpaid at 31<sup>st</sup> December is shown in the Statement of Assets &amp; Liabilities</p> <p><b>Fixed Assets</b> Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by the Charities Act 2011. No value is placed on moveable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.</p> <p><i>Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment</i> Equipment used within the Church premises and purchased for a sum in excess of £1,500 are shown in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities as a Tangible Fixed Asset</p> <p><i>Investments</i> In following the principal of prudence, Investments are shown at the lower of 'Bid Market Value' or 'Market Value'. It has been agreed that any excess cash should be deposited with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.</p> <p><i>Current assets</i> Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.</p> <p>Reserve Policy – agreed 2015 - Three to six months average expenditure within the Funds.</p> <p><b>Employment Policy</b> —Salaries are paid at a minimum of the agreed Living Wage Foundation rate, honoraria are agreed by the Trustees</p> <p><b>Risks</b> The PCC has not faced any risks, uncertainties or significant events during the year. None of the key management receives a salary direct from the accounts; one of the Trustees has an employment contract for work undertaken in the church hall. The stipend for the Rev C Chiplin is paid by Bath &amp; Wells Diocesan Board of Finance. No Social Investments schemes are undertaken. INSERTED from main body</p>
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	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
	2018	2017		2018	2017
Receipts	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid donations	37,351	5,115	-	42,466	39,113
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid	10,940	2,060		13,000	11,588
Other planned giving	4,203	5,236		9,439	4,011
Collections at all Services	4,475	-		4,475	4,828
Donations Bell Ringers	355	-		355	540
Sundry Donations recurring	743	-		743	277
Sundry Donations non-recurring	450	20		470	1,717
Donations Appeals etc.		1,669		1,669	2,000
Fetes and Other Fund-raising Events	1,548	7,308		8,856	7,132
Grant for Church	-	-		-	14,000
Fees- General & Churchyard	9,893	-		9,893	12,976
Magazines	914	-		914	971
Bookstall	102	-		102	92
Church Hall Lettings	8,413	-		8,413	7,272
Printing Services & Miscellaneous	-	-		-	86
CBF – General	60	-		60	35
CBF – Fabric	-	112		112	19
CBF – St Barnabas Trust	479	-		479	468
Bank Interest	39	25		64	84
Gregory Legacy – Churchyard	-	44		44	43
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>79,965</b>	<b>21,589</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>101,554</b>	<b>107,252</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
- Missionary societies	-	330		330	290
- Relief and development agencies	-	146		146	300
Home missions and other Church societies	-	223		223	744
Secular Charities & Donations	-	1,020		1,020	836
Donations/gifts to church members	292	-		292	150
Ministry: parish share	50,776	-		50,776	49,679
Clergy expenses	3,210	-		3,210	3,240
Other clergy costs	-	-		-	-
Church Running Expenses	4,697	1,434		6,131	5,217
Church Utilities	2,375	-		2,375	1,891
Major Repairs and fees	-	-		-	9,329
Furnishings - Piano	-	-		-	180
Upkeep of Services	2,023	-		2,023	4,220
Magazine & Bookstall	476	-		476	551
Church Hall running costs & minor repairs	5,328	-		5,328	5,235
Church Hall Major repairs	995	-		995	1,411
Honoraria and Support Costs	2,194	-		2,194	2,092
Upkeep of Churchyard	-	2,391		2,391	733
Major works- churchyard & estate	-	-		-	4,785
Fund Raising and publicity	-	1,095		1,095	1,083
Church Management & Administration	5,039	-		5,039	4,077
Loan Capital & Interest	-	8,470		8,470	8,505
<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>77,405</b>	<b>15,109</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>92,514</b>	<b>104,548</b>
EXCESS RECEIPTS over Payments	2,560	6,480	-	9,040	2,704
TRANSFERS 2017 Gift Day	1,400	-1,400		0	0
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>	<b>3,960</b>	<b>5,080</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,040</b>	<b>2,704</b>
<b>Cash at Bank &amp; in hand 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018</b>	<b>11,366</b>	<b>33,190</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44,556</b>	<b>41,852</b>
<b>Cash at Bank &amp; in hand 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018</b>	<b>15,326</b>	<b>38,270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53,596</b>	<b>44,556</b>

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**For the year ended 31 December 2018**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2018	2017
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Piano (2016)	-	907	-	907	1,361
Mower (2016)	-	790	-	790	1,185
<b>Investment Assets</b>					
CBF Income Shares- St Barnabas Trust	-	-	14,186	14,186	14,401
COIF Income Shares Gregory Legacy	-	-	1,275	1,275	1,311
<b>Cash Funds</b>					
Bank Current Account	10,244	25,652	-	35,896	23,130
CBF Deposit Account	5,083	12,617	-	17,700	7,288
Income Tax Recoverable	8,971	1,023	-	9,994	9,322
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>24,298</u></b>	<b><u>40,989</u></b>	<b><u>15,461</u></b>	<b><u>80,748</u></b>	<b><u>72,136</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>Loan</b>					
Bath & Wells DBF balance of loan	<u>0</u>	<u>22,600</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22,600</u>	<u>30,800</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf:

The Revd. Christopher Chiplin (Chairman)

Maureen West (PCC Treasurer)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Funds**

The Unrestricted Fund consists of the General Fund which provides for the maintenance and running expenses of the church and the Churchyard Account Income for 2018.

The Restricted funds comprise

- The Fabric Fund, which provides for the repayment of the Loan and major works and maintenance of the Church.
- Charitable donations for a specific charity
- Payments for the upkeep of the open and closed churchyards

The Endowment fund comprises

- The monies raised by the sale of St Barnabas.
- The Gregory Legacy

## **Assets**

- Mower- purchased 2016 from Churchyard account.
- Piano – purchased 2016 from the Fabric Fund.
- Investment Asset is the monies raised by the sale of St Barnabas, which are invested in a CBF Income Shares account. The interest is for general purpose of the church, but the capital is Restricted.  
Gregory Legacy is invested in COIF Income shares. The interest is for general purposes of the churchyard  
And the Capital is Restricted
- The hall is not included in the assets due to not having an up to date valuation. It was purchased for £5,861 and has an insurance value of £2,704,000

## **Loan from Bath & Wells Diocesan Board of Finance**

The loan is calculated over 10 annual instalments of which 7 repayments have been made. The funds will continue to be raised annually to meet this liability. The amount of each instalment is £8,200 and this amount is within the normal fund raising for the Church and will have first call on all funds held in the Fabric Fund.

## **INSURANCE VALUES**

Church- Insured within Bath & Wells group scheme with Ecclesiastical Insurance for £14,601,600 –this is for the full value of the building. The church was revalued in 2014.

Church Hall £2,704,000, also insured with Ecclesiastical Insurance, and for the full value.

# **Independent Examiner's Certificate**

## **for the PCC Accounts**

Report to the trustees of: **Midsomer Norton**

**Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: **31<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

Registered Charity Number: **1143117**

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

### **Independent Examiners Statement**

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 Charities Act, and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met or
- 2) to which in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

**Signed:**

**Date:**

**Name:**

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