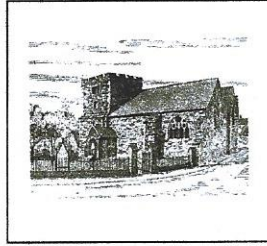


St John in the Soke with St Martin Winnall - Annual Report for 2017



St John in the Soke

with

St Martin, Winnall

**Annual Report**

**&**

**Financial Statements**

**of the**

**Parochial Church Council**

**for the year ended 31 December, 2017**

**Rector:**

TBA

**Bank:**

National Westminster Bank  
105 High Street  
Winchester SO23 9AW

**Independent Examiner:**

John Murray  
13 Shelley Close  
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## ***Administrative Information***

The parish of St John in the Soke with St Martin Winnall, in the diocese of Winchester, is part of the benefice of East Winchester, being partnered with the parish of All Saints Winchester with St Andrew, Chilcomb.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity exempted from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members who have served during 2017 are:

*Rector:* Rev Paul Kennedy, Chairman (Left Easter)

*Assistant Priest:* Rev Margaret Scrivener (Left Oct)

*Curate:* Rev Christine Smith

*Wardens:*

David Stirrup	Vice Chairman
Deborah Hobbs	

*Deanery Synod Representatives:*

N/A

*Benefice Safeguarding Officer:* Debbie Cramp

*Elected Members:*

Paul Hamilton	
Abi Sturgeon	
Peter Eagling	Secretary
Matt Sturgeon	Treasurer

## ***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.

## ***Objectives and Activities***

St John's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the rector in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. In addition to the church building and the churchyard, the PCC also has responsibility for the maintenance of two thirds of the graveyard on St Giles Hill.

## ***Achievements and Performance***

### ***Church Attendance***

The church has 48 parishioners on the Electoral Roll, 29 of whom live in the parish. Average attendance for a typical Sunday Parish Eucharist, the major service of the week, was about 23 adults and one child, this number rising significantly at the principal festivals.

### ***Review of the Year***

#### ***PCC Report***

The PCC met, jointly with the PCC of All Saints, five times during the year. Topics covered included:

- Covering services, festivals and special events during the vacancy
- Preparation for and appointment of new Priest in Charge
- Planning and implementation of Lent course and appeal
- Safeguarding – training and implementation of procedures
- Parish Finances
- Parish buildings & maintenance programmes
- Farewell to Reverend Margaret and Mike Scrivener

#### ***Rector's Report***

2017 was a year of farewells. Our Rector, Paul Kennedy, left on Palm Sunday and many parishioners attended his licensing at St Vedast and St Aldermay in the City of London in May. Our Associate Priest, Margaret Scrivener, retired at the end of September and Philip Krinks, who had completed the final year of his curacy in the Benefice, was licensed as Priest in Charge of St Cross in September. During the year we also bade a sad final farewell to our longest standing member, Leila Joshua, a faithful member of the congregation for more than sixty years. We record our thanks to all who have helped maintain our regular life of worship, including the Archdeacon, Area Dean, and priests from the Clerical Registry. The Revd Dr Jane Baun of Ripon College Cuddesdon was guest preacher at our patronal festival.

The autumn months were taken up with the search for a new priest in charge and in November it was confirmed that the Revd Mike Griffiths would be licensed to the Benefice in the summer of 2018. We were delighted to welcome Jemima Lewis, an ordinand and a resident in the parish, who requested to be attached to St John's during her training. Her contribution in preaching and especially at the full round of Christmas services has been greatly appreciated.

Under our Wellspring programme, the priest-poet Malcolm Guite led a poetry-based Lent day and the historian Geoffrey Treasure spoke on the Huguenots,



refugees of faith. At Christmas we were glad to see the church filled to overflowing by the local primary school (twice), the Montessori nursery, the local scouts and their families, and an enthusiastic audience for a splendid concert by former pupils of Winchester College. Our visitors book records how deeply appreciated the church building is, many finding it to be a sanctuary of quiet and a haven of peace.

One member, Hazel Southam, secured a grant from Tesco to create wild flower borders in the north churchyard. A garden working party installed the metre-wide turfs and planted 2000 spring bulbs. We look forward to the results of these labours and to enhancing St John's welcome to all.

As curate, with an increasing weight of responsibility as the year progressed, I record my gratitude to the churchwardens, PCC officers and all the members of the congregation for their unfailing support, encouragement and generous hard work.

#### Churchwardens' Report

2017 saw the departure of our rector to pastures new, with around 140 people crowding into St John's for Paul's last service on Palm Sunday. A little later in the year we also lost the services of our assistant priest, through Margaret's retirement. The resulting interregnum has kept us pretty busy since, with by far the heaviest workload falling to our curate, Christine Smith.

The versatility of St John's was well in evidence during the year as the church was used by IWC Media to film a Channel 4 documentary on Britain's most historic cities, Winchester being chosen to represent the Norman period. The church was also used to provide overnight accommodation for students attending a contemplative weekend at the start of the university year. We also hosted services during Advent for a number of civic organisations, schools and the scouts.

St John's is blessed with an effective team of volunteers who help to clean and decorate the church and provide refreshments on Sunday mornings. Their help is greatly appreciated, though more helpers would always be welcome. This applies equally to our team of willing ministers and prospective ministers. Many thanks to Christine, Jemima, Katie, Brian, and not forgetting our archdeacon, Richard.

#### Planned Giving Report

Catherine Thom our gift aid secretary resigned in May. We thank her for fulfilling this role so well for so long. As processing cash and cheque collections and claiming gift aid from HMRC is time-consuming, the PCC took the decision to join the parish giving scheme. This is a free service to the parish and includes the collection of any gift aid due. Thank you to everyone who has signed up to the scheme since August. So far we have thirteen donors. Thank you also to everyone who has given regularly this year via envelope or standing order. Please consider joining the PGS if you can. We have information and application packs available.

#### Fabric Report

Little has happened to the fabric of the church building during the year beyond having our quinquennial inspection mid year. As of the year end, no report on the condition of the church had been provided.

Whilst there was no activity inside the church building, there has indeed been plenty going on in the churchyard. Thanks to the fundraising activity of one member of our congregation, Hazel Southam, St John's was awarded a grant from Tesco towards the planting of wildflower borders to edge the main path into the church through the northern churchyard. A veritable army turned up to do the planting and a metre wide strip of turf along each side of the path was replaced with turf containing many wildflower bulbs. 2018 should see a much more colourful access into St John's.

#### Friends of St John

The Friends have had another quiet year but end with a healthy balance in the bank and stand ready to assist the PCC when called upon to do so.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> March the Friends welcomed a return of the Pocket Theatre who provided another enjoyable programme.

The annual Friends' sponsored Compline Service with the choir from All Saints took place on the first Sunday in Advent followed by the now traditional Advent Tea and mulled wine.

The Church (not the Friends this time) Managed to book a group of former Winchester College choristers known as The Wykeham Six to perform a close harmony concert in the church on the 17<sup>th</sup> December. The Friends helped with advance publicity and the concert proved very popular. The Friends ran the bar profitably.

#### Financial Review

Total income was £23854. Expenditure was £28947 giving an excess of expenditure over income of £5093.

We are keeping a total of £37392 in the Diocesan Loan funds.

#### Reserves Policy

Our total reserves, increasing with the closure of a number of now redundant charities, as at 31/12/2017 were £95531.

It is our policy to invest any fund surpluses with the Diocesan Loan Fund no 5110.

Approved by the PCC on March 12, 2018 and signed on their behalf by

**St John the Baptist Church Winchester**  
**Receipts and payments**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2017 to 31 December 2017**

Note	From To	01 January 2017 31 December 2017	01 January 2016 31 December 2016
<b>General - General fund (Unrestricted) Fund Income and endowments from: and Expenditure on:</b>			
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>			
Donations and legacies			
Donations		1,806	332
Collections at Services		1,853	3,222
Planned giving		13,452	12,838
	<i>Total Donations and legacies</i>	<u>17,112</u>	<u>16,393</u>
Income from charitable activities			
Fees and Rent etc.		1,307	1,164
	<i>Total Income from charitable activities</i>	<u>1,307</u>	<u>1,164</u>
Other trading activities			
Wall Safe and other income		117	249
Other Income from Church Building		1,815	775
	<i>Total Other trading activities</i>	<u>1,932</u>	<u>1,024</u>
Investments			
Investment Income: COIF Charities		264	1,091
Investment income: Diocesan Loan Fund		80	184
	<i>Total Investments</i>	<u>344</u>	<u>1,275</u>
Other income			
Income Tax recovered		1,926	4,259
Sale of trust investments		1,232	—
	<i>Total Other income</i>	<u>3,158</u>	<u>4,259</u>
<b>Total income and endowments from:</b>		<b>23,854</b>	<b>24,118</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Charitable donations		970	200
Fabric maintenance		1,923	986
Heating and lighting		1,874	2,168
Ministry expenses		678	582
Worship expenses		76	177
	<i>Total Expenditure on charitable activities</i>	<u>5,524</u>	<u>4,115</u>
Other expenditure			
Parish share		19,731	21,856
subs		90	180
Church Insurance		2,639	2,415
Administration		962	737
	<i>Total Other expenditure</i>	<u>23,422</u>	<u>25,188</u>
<b>Total expenditure on:</b>		<b>28,947</b>	<b>29,304</b>
Excess of Income and endowments from: over Expenditure on:		(5,092)	(5,186)
Brought forward balance		40,389	45,576
<b>Total carried forward balance</b>		<b>35,297</b>	<b>40,389</b>

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**St John the Baptist Church Winchester**  
**Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)**  
**As at: 31 December 2017**

		Balance	Previous balance
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>			
<b>17001: NatWest Winchester Bank Account</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	(1,614.56)	3,375.34
Agency collection	Restricted	444.18	(13.90)
Historic trust funds	Restricted	60,234.12	—
		<b>59,063.74</b>	<b>3,361.44</b>
<b>17002: Diocesan Loan Funds</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	37,392.18	37,312.07
		<b>37,392.18</b>	<b>37,312.07</b>
<b>Cash at bank and in hand</b>		<b>96,455.92</b>	<b>40,673.51</b>
<b>Debtors</b>			
<b>Z05: Accounts Receivable</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	—	—
		—	—
<b>Debtors</b>		—	—
<b>Agency accounts</b>			
<b>6699: Agency collections</b>			
Agency collection	Restricted	444.18	(13.90)
		<b>444.18</b>	<b>(13.90)</b>
<b>Agency accounts</b>		<b>444.18</b>	<b>(13.90)</b>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>			
<b>Z04: Accounts Payable</b>			
General fund	Unrestricted	480.46	297.45
		<b>480.46</b>	<b>297.45</b>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year</b>		<b>480.46</b>	<b>297.45</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>95,531.28</b>	<b>40,389.96</b>

# St John the Baptist Church Winchester

## Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2017	As at 31/12/2016
<b>Current assets</b>		
17001: NatWest Winchester Bank Account	59,063.74	3,361.44
17002: Diocesan Loan Funds	37,392.18	37,312.07
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>96,455.92</b>	<b>40,673.51</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
6699: Agency collections	444.18	(13.90)
Z04: Accounts Payable	480.46	297.45
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>924.64</b>	<b>283.55</b>
<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>95,531.28</b>	<b>40,389.96</b>
<b>Reserves</b>		
Excess / (deficit) to date	55,141.32	—
Z01: Starting balances	40,389.96	40,389.96
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>95,531.28</b>	<b>40,389.96</b>

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	35,297.16	40,389.96
Designated	—	—
Restricted	60,234.12	—
Endowment	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>95,531.28</b>	<b>40,389.96</b>

**HTF - Historic trust funds (Restricted) Fund Income and endowments from: and Expenditure on:**
**Income and endowments from:**

Other income

Sale of trust investments

62,844

—

*Total Other income*

62,844

—

**Total income and endowments from:**
**62,844**

—

**Expenditure on:**

Expenditure on charitable activities

Fabric maintenance

2,610

—

*Total Expenditure on charitable activities*

2,610

—

**Total expenditure on:**
**2,610**

—

Excess of Income and endowments from: over Expenditure on:

60,234

—

Brought forward balance

—

—

**Total carried forward balance**
**60,234**

—

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