

St George's Church

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

for the year ended 31st December 2018



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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2018

The members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC), who are the trustees of the charity, present the annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018.

Aim and purposes

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend David Warner, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish and benefice, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church of St George, Mossley.

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 at St George's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many 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 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 people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

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

Church Life & Activities

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 and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping.

Reserves policy

The PCC does not currently have a reserves policy on unrestricted funds.

Structure, governance, and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. George's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

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 and those with new roles are to receive advice and initial training into the workings of the PCC.

Administrative information

St George's Mossley is (with St John the Baptist Roughtown) part of the Benefice of Mossley, which is part of the Deanery of Ashton, the Archdeaconry of Rochdale and the Diocese of Manchester within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council is a body corporate (The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended) and a registered Charity.

Front cover: the waterfall of poppies made for the *Mossley Remembers Armistice 100* event by our church schools.

The Parochial Church Council

The Revd David Warner Vicar of Mossley
The Revd Ian Brocklehurst Associate Priest (*in attendance*) *from 25th November 2018*

current term expires

Mrs Julie Bruce Churchwarden April 2019
Mrs Jacqueline Hely Churchwarden April 2019

Mrs Val Bates April 2020
Mrs Sally-Jane Brown April 2020
Mrs Dorothy Dunn Deanery Synod Rep April 2020
Mrs Pauline Holland April 2020
Mrs Pam Lakin April 2020
Mrs Debbie Mellor April 2020
Mr Jim Mellor Deanery Synod Rep April 2020
Mrs Jacqui Renshaw Hon Secretary April 2021
Mrs Amy Ward April 2020
Mrs Carole Winterbottom Hon Treasurer / Deanery Synod Rep April 2020

The PCC

- is a charity registered with the Charities Commission.
- oversees the financial work of the Church by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and co-ordinating the stewardship of money through planned giving.
- attends to matters relating to the ministry of the Church, including work with young people.
- attends to the ministry of the Church to the community and the world.
- attends to matters relating to the stewardship of the Church Buildings and fabric, the Churchyard (which is closed to burials, and largely the responsibility of Tameside MBC). The PCCs of St George's and St John the Baptist contribute towards costs for St John's Vicarage.

Parish Officers

Sally-Jane Brown Safeguarding & Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator
Carole Hibbert 200 Club / Mothers' Union
Pauline Holland Safeguarding & Vulnerable Adults Co-ordinator
Kathryn Malkin Electoral Roll Officer / Magazine Editor / Junior Church
Debbie Mellor Baptism Co-ordinator / Junior Church
Jim Mellor Hon Site Manager
Karen Skeffington Gift Aid Secretary
Sheila Webb Reader Emeritus / Mothers' Union

Win Ashmore, Dorothy Dunn, Pauline Holland and Amanda Partington are Foundation Governors of St George's School (*three vacancies*). Elaine Horridge and Chris Lyness are Foundation Governors of Micklehurst All Saints' School: these are all nominated by the PCC.

The Vicar is a member of the Diocesan Synod, a member of the Diocesan Mission and Ministry Committee, Vice-Chair of the governing bodies of St George's and Milton St John's Schools and a Governor of Micklehurst All Saints' School, a member of Mossley Town Team, a member of the Provincial Council of the Society of Catholic Priests and Chaplain to Tameside Sea Cadets.

Electoral Roll

The Roll was opened for additions for the statutory period before this meeting. A completely new Roll was created and contains **82** names.

Kathryn Malkin

Vicar's report

Some numbers from **2018** (2017 & 2016 in brackets): 24 (30, 22) baptisms, 2 (7, 0) confirmations, 3 (7, 5) weddings, 16 (15, 10) funerals. 1851 (2606, 1043) people came into church during Advent/Christmas. 663 (700) came to the Christmas Tree Festival. 1638 people came to the *Mossley Remembers Armistice 100* event.

2018 was a year of continuation and progress - we continue the daily and weekly rounds of worship and social events, and these have begun to feel comfortable as I've been here for a while now! Holy Week and Easter were as always highpoint of worship but for me the daily round of more simple and quiet worship are important too. We increased the number of funerals we were involved with as a parish and this is encouraging, as these services were often not for closely involved families. The number of baptisms is down on the previous year but this may be a 'normalising' across the benefice and it is good to see the services more equally spread between churches.

Our involvement with the schools continues to deepen and show fruit in practical ways - particularly events like school worship and the events we are able to play host to - Macmillan coffee being a good example of working together. I am grateful to all who serve in any way on behalf of our churches - the PCCs, school governors, Junior Church leaders, bellringers, servers, choir, readers, intercessors, tea makers, magazine editor and distributors, money counters, sides-people, welcomers: everything you do helps to build up the body of Christ.

The Archdeacon's Visitation took place in June (happening every 5 years) and this was a significant opportunity for our church to be seen *on paper* as having turned a corner. I spent considerable time ensuring the paperwork and governance aspects of the church were correct (*as they were either incorrect, out of date or non-existent when I came into office, through no fault of Wardens or PCC*). Correct governance documents may be a little dull, but pay dividends in terms of the good management of our assets and liabilities - it also gives us a stable base to work from. As Christians we are called to be good stewards of what the Lord entrusts us with, and PCC and I are determined that we should be very careful with the many blessings we have been given here. I am grateful as ever to the Wardens and PCC for their generous support. The Visitation report was very good, and an encouraging and accurate indication of the positive atmosphere in our church.

PCC has continued to grapple with the issues of our site - we were sadly unsuccessful in a 2nd HLF grant bid, and considerable time has had to be spent seeking to ensure Tameside MBC live up to the assurances we believe are in place regarding their duty of care to the churchyard. Both of these issues are ongoing. I am grateful to all who assist in any way in the care of our physical assets - particular thanks to Jim Mellor for his patient assistance in helping to keep the building safe (*regularly clearing gutters and drains saves £1000s in the long run!*), and also to Barry Deane, our gardener, for his work on the Garden of Remembrance. I was delighted by PCC's decision to engage Barry's services on a regular basis, paid for from the fees charged for burials - the Garden is a huge amount of work, and we are bound, because of the trust placed in us by those who bury ashes there, to keep it to the highest standard possible. We are justly proud of the buildings and grounds we have, and we are gradually ensuring they are kept to the standards we would hope for. I also record my thanks to Barbara Anderton for ensuring the Book of Remembrance is kept up to date - this is hugely appreciated by families.

Mossley 100 Armistice Remembers was an extraordinary event. The church was open for a week and we welcomed far more people than I could possibly have imagined. The reactions to the war memorials, the silhouettes and the amazingly detailed records, as well as the special events and services we hosted was extraordinary. We hope to make use of the records in future heritage events. On August weekends in 2019 we are planning a commemorative exhibition for the Peterloo bicentenary, with the same team of historians. I have thoroughly enjoyed the year as Chaplain to Cllr Irene Raddings, the Mayor of Mossley and this has led to deeper working between church, Council and the communities we serve.

Towards the end of the year a significant prayer was answered - Fr Ian and Liz came to join us in November and this new ministry in the parish is already bearing much fruit. It is personally good for me to have a colleague of wisdom and prayerfulness - being a parish priest can be a very lonely business at times and it is good to have a colleague. Fr Ian's arrival is an indication from the Diocese that Mossley is a good place to be, and one where clergy and people are nurtured and cared for. I am grateful for this trust placed in us. We are looking forward to everything that can be possible with Fr Ian's talents, and his 'new eyes' on what we're already doing.

2019 will be a busy year as we seek to develop our ministry, safeguard our buildings and do what we can for the Lord in this parish. Penny and I were bowled over by your kindness when we became engaged and we are grateful for your prayers as we prepare for our marriage and life thereafter. Mossley is a very special community

to be part of and as we go forward to grow, nurture and serve our community together, it is our prayers and loving support for each other that will help us in all we seek to do.

Thank you for all you are and all you do, and thank you God for the joy and witness of our parish community.

God bless and keep you all, and thank you.

Fr David

Stewardship & Gift Aid

72 (2017: 60, 2016: 59) people give regularly to support the life of our church.

40 (2016: 37) people support our life by gift-aiding their regular giving.

Fr David sent a letter of thanks to all on the scheme this year and sought to encourage standing orders and effective gift-aiding of donations.

Karen Skeffington

200 Club

During the year the club contributed **£1516.90** to the life of the church and congregation, enabling us to buy: 6 small tables for the church room, Christmas decorations and trees (2017 & 2018), Whit Friday flowers, the repainting of the 'paper' shed, a new disabled access ramp, a new ladder for safe access to the bell tower and a contribution to the costs of church flowers. **Thank you all!**

Carole Hibbert

Safeguarding

The PCC's statement on the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults (last updated in September 2018 and reviewed annually) is displayed in the Church Room, with copies of the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy and our Social Media Policy. Safeguarding is part of the agenda of every PCC meeting to ensure our policies are up to date and concerns highlighted as quickly as possible. Written hire agreements are in place for those who hire the church building and they have their own DBS checks, insurance and policies. Safeguarding practice and policy is built in to all recruitment and provision offered by the PCC.

All appropriate people have completed the Church of England Safeguarding Certificate, a basic online training course that covers the following:

- able to describe the scope of safeguarding children and adults in the church context.
- able to recognise safeguarding concerns.
- aware of how to respond well to safeguarding information, including who to inform.
- aware of when to make a record, what to include and the boundaries of confidentiality.

During the year Fr David has completed a *Train the Trainers* programme with the diocese September 2018 which will allow him to run Safeguarding training programmes for church personnel. The majority of appropriate people (Junior Church teachers and PCC members) completed training in February 2017 which lasts for 5 years, until 2022.

Frs David and Ian have completed mandatory Clergy safeguarding training (Feb 2019) which included a new module on domestic abuse.

Debbie Mellor and Kathryn Malkin (Junior Church Leaders) have confirmed that all children have photo permission authorisation from parents/guardians/carers completed. These are stored in the safeguarding file held within the safe.

We have attended meetings of the Deanery Safeguarding group held at St John's Hurst during the year and when not able to attend receive minutes from the meetings and appropriate documentation.

They have been issues with PCC DBS completion and these are being resolved. A form to collect documentation information from those applying for DBS clearance has been created to reduce the need for photocopying of documents.

Sally-Jane Brown & Pauline Holland

Warden's Report

2018 was a year of mixed fortunes.

The Archdeacon's Quinquennial Visitation took place on 13th June and feedback was very positive with all documentation found to be in order and we were commended for very good administration. This was totally down to the organisational skills and hard work of Fr David.

Fr David and our architect Mr Andrew Kepczk worked hard in completing a second bid attempt for a grant of £480,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund in order to fund essential works on the fabric of the building. Unfortunately, this bid was unsuccessful: this will delay us but we will keep trying!

Thanks to a bequest of £20,000 by Walter Nelson, plans to enhance the church entrance have been drawn up and a project plan is underway, this will assist in making the church more accessible and welcoming. The Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) are insisting on some amendments be made to the plans for the entrance project and so the architect is now working on a redesign. This will delay progress but we hope for a successful, helpful and practical outcome.

We had two successful fairs in 2018 and we need to note our very grateful thanks to all who assisted in any way: these are really good social occasions and they help to reach out to other members of the community who we otherwise may not engage with.

Rose Queen Eve (2017/18) worked extremely hard throughout her year of office visiting other churches as an ambassador for St. Georges, giving up her weekends to ensure we were represented throughout the diocese and beyond. She raised a substantial amount of money to allow us to make purchases of some much-needed items and we are very grateful for this support.

The carpets in the nave aisle have been removed and the floor will be repaired, treated and repainted in the near future. We were happy to host the Mayor of Mossley's Civic Service in September and links between the Council, Town Team and church continue to strengthen.

After a successful bid for ten silhouettes we hosted *Mossley Remembers Armistice 100* 5th – 11th November. The church was open Monday until Sunday (*the longest consecutive opening of church in modern memory*) with 1638 people visiting the church. This was a very emotive week. The children from our church schools made poppies which were displayed beautifully stretching from the gallery and down over the font. The week ended with a vigil service attended by +Mark and the Remembrance Sunday Eucharist. Fr David led the town commemoration at the War Memorial for the third time.

One of our most fulfilling events last year was the Christmas Tree Festival which took place 14th – 16th December. This year we increased to 50 sponsored and beautifully decorated trees which filled the church. The festival was again a joint venture with the Mayor's Committee with two evenings of entertainment. The proceeds were shared equally and along with the usual Christmas events made the whole of Advent a great success.

The very good news from 2018 is that Fr Ian Brocklehurst was licensed in November as our Associate Priest: we are very fortunate and blessed that Ian has been called to work with us here. A special licensing service and reception was held and enjoyed by all. We wish Fr Ian every success and welcome him to St George's to progress his ministry with us.

Finally we would like to thank Fr David who has worked very hard throughout the year; especially during the Christmas Tree Festival to encourage the community to engage with St. George's. Also thanks to Fr David we continue to have an excellent relationship with the community, the Deanery and the wider Diocese and we are extremely grateful for his ministry and friendship.

Julie Bruce & Jacqueline Hely

St George's School - from the Headteacher

The Governing Body has continued to fulfil its wide range of legal responsibilities and to ensure that all pupils are given an equal opportunity to fulfil their potential in a caring and Christian environment.

The School and its Governing Body is pleased that the links with the church community continue to grow each year thanks to all the school staff and Fr David. It has been lovely to welcome Fr Ian to our team and welcome him to lead some of the services in church and school worship. Once again, several school services were held in church throughout the year and Fr David has continued to visit school on a weekly basis to lead worship. The

children enjoy the time he spends in school and now regularly greet him and Fr Ian around Mossley outside school hours! We also have enjoyed successful joint services with Milton St John's and Micklehurst All Saints' KS2 children with the latest service being a lovely carol service. All the children sang carols together then each school performed an individual song. It was a lovely occasion and one we hope to repeat regularly.

Teaching and learning continues to be reviewed to ensure that it is of the standard that will give the best outcomes for all children. We are closing the gap between lower and higher achievers and although the children did not perform as well as in other years in their SATs in May 2018, and our data has been criticised by some of the parents, pupil progress meetings held with the staff at the end of the Autumn term, show some pleasing results and an improving picture.

The *Mossley and Carrbrook Schools Partnership* continues to grow and reap many dividends as we work closely with the other schools in the partnership. All the staff meet termly for moderation and hub meetings are held where subject leads for English, Maths, Science, PE, Early Years and SEN get together to discuss their subject and to look at joint working. Plans are already in place for a inter-school Maths battle, a joint science project and our annual Spelling Bee.

At the end of July we said goodbye to 14 Year 6 children. We held a lovely service in church which was led by Fr David and Mrs Divers and with the help of Foundation Governors, we gave out a leaving pack. School would like to thank members of the congregation for the kind gift of the Bibles given to all the Y6 children at this event. Destinations of children were as follows:

12 – Mossley Hollins, 1 – Copley Academy and 1 returned to home country of Estonia.

During 2018 we said goodbye to Mrs Whitehead from the school office and in April 2018 recruited Mr Dennis Harvey as our new school office manager. Ms Jasmine Walker also took up her position as Deputy Head. Both staff have settled in very well and are making positive contributions to the organisation and development of the school.

We continue to monitor and review our governor action plans in line with Ofsted recommendations with the main focus being on improvement in writing, standards of teaching and learning, and the governors' role in evaluation the schools progress. Mrs Divers continues to present the governing body with information and data regarding the school's progress which enables us to challenge and offer support to the whole school team. We have also received some support from Ms C Thomas, our school improvement partner who has been into school offering advice on school development and evaluation and has completed some training with the governors.

In September 2018 the school made a massive step and moved to being a school of single age classes. This was possible due to the completion of an extension giving us 7 classrooms. We took this opportunity also to overhaul our curriculum and now deliver an inquiry based curriculum. To date this is proving to have a good impact on the children's learning and enjoyment. Moving forwards we now hope to extend the provision by introducing a before and after school club. This will enable working parents to drop their children off earlier and pick them up later and will hopefully increase the number of children applying for places at St George's.

Once again our Christmas productions proved to be very popular and school received some lovely compliments from people who had attended. The children and staff work very hard to make them the success that they are and it is lovely to receive such positive feedback.

I hope that this report provides a full picture of what is happening in school and thank the staff, children, parents/carers and governors for their continued hard work.

Carolyn Divers

Micklehurst All Saints' School - from the Headteacher

This has been another busy and exciting year at Micklehurst All Saints. Our Easter Service at St George's Church was very special. Our Ethos group led the service with readings and prayers and we rejoiced with some beautiful singing. We also enjoyed our combined service on Friday 22nd June, also at St George's, where all the church schools in Mossley came together to worship and celebrate together – a real awe and wonder moment!

The children enjoyed the sunshine and the lovely summer that we were lucky to have. This lasted most of the summer term with the exception of Whit Friday! However, it didn't spoil the spirit of things and we were all in fine voice as we sang 'Shine Jesus Shine' in the pouring rain!

Freddie Fit returned for the day as a pre sports week day of fun and activity for the whole school and meerkats have visited our Year 2 children. We managed to get all our sporting activities in during sports week at the end of June despite the fires on the hills above school. We were very grateful and in awe of the firefighters who worked so hard in such difficult conditions to keep on top of the endless fires. However in true Mossley tradition we pulled together as a school and community to provide necessary items for the brave firefighters.

We have welcomed 'Travelling By Tuba' back to school to perform a World Cup show which we linked to our work on Sports Week and the World Cup. Year 3 enjoyed their Stone Age Day where they were able to dress up and create some cave drawings and Year 5 enjoyed making masks and learning dances for their Brazilian carnival. Reception and Year 1 had a fantastic day at Imagine That in Liverpool and our Nursery children loved their visit to Sealife at the Trafford Centre.

We introduced our Commando Joe's mission box to the children with it appearing all wrapped up and left on the playground attached to a parachute. This generated a lot of discussion and questions and all the children had to solve a puzzle to find the key to open it up! It was very exciting and the children have enjoyed using the box and completing the missions. These missions focus on key values including Respect, Empathy, Self-Awareness, Positivity, Excellence, Communication and Teamwork.

Our children have taken part in a range of sporting competitions including volleyball, Cone it, Dodgeball, Multi Sports, Quad Kids and Rounders. We also had some very important visitors..... our key stage 2 school council reps who completed a Junior Inspection of school and took this role very seriously, in fact they were our top critiques.

As part of our work towards the AcSEED accreditation, Year 4, 5 and 6 have taken part in workshops led by Tameside and Glossop MIND based on emotional awareness and self-confidence. Year 2 have been our first class to use the garden area at the back of school and have experienced a range of activities linked to the Science units 'Plants and animals and their habitats.' This has been really successful. Reception and now Year 3 are also enjoying our nature area and outdoor learning opportunities.

As part of the *Mossley and Carrbrook Schools Partnership* our key stage 2 children took part in a Spelling Bee, a times table competition and the Mossley Olympics, all of which were enjoyed by everyone. In the autumn term our Y3 children have visited Mossley Hollins for a morning of Modern Foreign Languages and our Y6 pupils took part in The Debating Society to develop their oral and debating skills.

In the autumn term Year 3 had a visit from Wayne and his collection of owls as they began their Literacy unit based on the well-known story Owl Babies. We have welcomed a local artist into school to work with children and parents to create lanterns for the Mossley Light Switch on and Year 4 children made decorations for the Christmas tree. Our children have continued to learn how to keep safe with the Year 6 visit to Safe Squad and a visit from the Fire Department to talk about Autumn Safety. We have also welcomed back the author David Mason who has worked in Y2 and Y6 this term focusing on creative writing around the topic of World War 1 in Y6 and a Traditional Fairy story in Y2. Y3 enjoyed the 'Experience Christmas' event at Mossley Methodist Church. Nursery and Reception invited their parents/carers in for a 'Stay and Play' session.

December was a magical month! Parents/carers enjoyed two KS 2 musical performances in school, one from Y4 and one from Y3, Y5 and Y6. Our Christmas Fair took place on Friday 7th December and our super Christmas performances took place on 13th December for KS1, Friday 14th December for KS2 and Monday 17th December for EYFS. We were very proud of all our children. KS2 visited St George's Church for a shared Christmas Service on Monday 17th December and we finished the term with our own school Carol Service and Christingle on Friday 21st December.

We were also very proud to receive the AcSEED accreditation in recognition of our commitment to supporting the emotional well-being and mental health of our pupils and families. We are particularly proud to have this accreditation as we are only the second Primary School in Tameside to achieve it and only the third in Greater Manchester.

Laura Trelfa

Junior Church Report

Kathryn takes the youngest group where the children range in age from 3 – 8, Debbie takes the middle group with children ranging in age from 8 - 12 and Charlotte's group are year 7 upwards.

Between January and December, Kathryn had 14 children on the register – most of whom attended regularly. Debbie had 8 children on the register – most of whom were regular attenders. Charlotte, last year had 8 children - 5 of whom were regular attenders.

Kathryn and Debbie start each session with the collect and the Lord's prayer. Then we do a start up activity which is usually a game. This is followed by the main part of the session where we read from the Bible and discuss issues surrounding the story. We then have an activity/craft linked to the Bible reading. This year we have started to follow a new scheme which links directly with the readings in Church.

Charlotte also starts with an activity which links to her session, then she has a lot more bible and discussion based work to help the children to gain a deeper insight into the Bible and wider thinking about the applications of faith in their lives. We ended the year with our nativity play which we hope everyone enjoyed.

Prize-giving Sunday in March was a great occasion celebrating the children's attendance and contribution. Kathryn's group entertained us with a song and Debbie's group performed a play which was a retelling of the parable of The Good Samaritan.

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| Prizes for attendance | Kathryn's group | 1 st : Sophie Mullaney and Christina Berry 2 nd : Izabel Partington 3 rd : Edward Mullaney, Jack Jones and Faye Driffield |
| | Debbie's group | 1 st : Molly Mullaney and Lydia Williams 2 nd : Dylan Dearden 3 rd : Neve Duddle |

The Sue Carley Memorial trophy went to Eve Mullaney.

Our Rose Queen for 2018-2019 was Neve Duddle, with her retinue of Shannon Darraugh, Christina Berry, Faye Driffield and Nancy Laing-Oates.

Kathryn Malkin, Debbie and Charlotte Mellor

Financial Statements
Year Ended 31 December 2018

Independent Examiner's Report

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2017, which are set out later in this report, and is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's 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 41 of the Act; and to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations 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.

Mrs Sumitra Jessop, 72 Beauchamp Street, Ashton under Lyne

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING HELD 15th APRIL 2018

PRESENT: Fr. David, J. Renshaw, J. Bruce, C. Winterbottom, D. Mellor, J. Mellor, E. Mellor, S-J. Brown, P. Holland, P. Lakin, K. Skeffington, R. Ashton, M. Howard, J. Wood, S. Butlin, J. Brogan, K. Schofield, C. Hibbert, D. Dunn, D. Shore, A. Ward, V. Bates, C. Richardson, K. Malkin, S. Webb, J. Hely.

APOLOGIES: B. Anderton and D. Taylor

The **Minutes of the Vestry Meeting held on 30th April 2017** were taken as correct, proposed by C. Winterbottom, seconded by J. Renshaw and carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Three people had been duly proposed and paperwork received: J. Bruce, P. Holland and J. Hely. A secret ballot was held and after the count by Fr. David, J. Bruce and J. Hely were duly confirmed as elected as Churchwardens for 2018.

Fr David thanked J. Renshaw for all the hard work she had done over the past twenty-five years, especially during the Interregnum and his first year in office.

The Meeting closed.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
Annual Parochial Church Meeting held 15th April 2018

PRESENT: As Vestry Meeting

APOLOGIES: As Vestry Meeting.

The **Minutes of the APCM held on 30th April 2017** were taken as correct were taken as correct, proposed by C. Winterbottom, seconded by J. Renshaw and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS

Our Independent Examiner was not in attendance so our Treasurer C. Winterbottom went over the accounts. She reported that there had been no queries and that S. Jessop had been content to sign off the accounts. Obvious highlights were that we had paid our Parish Share in full and that all the figures were up from last year. Carol was thanked for her hard work in preparing the accounts and also for the help of K. Skeffington and P. Lakin for their help.

Fr. David also offered thanks to C. Hibbert and the 200 Club for all the donations regarding the “small things” that make a big difference for e.g. the small tables in the Church Room.

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

S. Jessop had agreed to carry on in the role for 2018, proposed by D. Dunn, seconded by P. Holland and carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF REVISED ELECTORAL ROLL

K. Malkin reported that currently there were 89 names of the Roll, that next year it would be revised and asked that people make sure their data protection forms had been filled in and returned.

ELECTIONS to PCC: Due to the election of J. Hely as a churchwarden a vacancy existed - J. Renshaw offered herself for this role, proposed by J. Mellor, seconded by C. Winterbottom and carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF SIDESPEOPLE

The names given were: K. Skeffington, J. Renshaw, P. Lakin, C. Winterbottom, V. Bates and D. Dunn.

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT

Fr. David gave his report.

Fr. David thanked J. Renshaw on behalf of himself and the whole Church for her commitment over the past 25 years, also to mention Paul for his patience etc. over that time. She was presented with a gift and flowers which she thanked us all for.

A report from the **Churchwardens** thanked everyone for their willingness to help, and the good feeling that we now have in our Church and the confidence we have in the future with Fr. David leading us. We have been truly blessed to have him with us.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS – S. Butlin asked that the Remembrance Book be updated. Fr David agreed to look into this urgently.

The meeting closed.

All members of the PCC and church officers completed ‘Fit and proper persons’ declaration forms.

PARISH OF MOSSLEY
Agendas for the Annual Vestry and
Parochial Church Meeting held on 7th April 2019

Annual Vestry Meeting

- Welcome and opening prayer
- Apologies for Absence
- Election of Churchwardens (*elected annually*)
- Close

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- Apologies for Absence
- Minutes of last APCM
- Presentation of Accounts
- Appointment of Independent Examiner
- Presentation of revised Electoral Roll
- Elections: none expected this year (*vacancies may be created by the election of Churchwardens*)
- Appointment of Sidespersons
- Questions on reports
- Presentation of the Vicar's Annual Report, followed by questions
- Closing prayer
- All new members of PCC and Parish Officers to sign *Fit and Proper Persons* declaration