

2021/22 Annual report: Comments from our Treasurer for the Church Council meeting held on 09 February 2023

The year ending 31st August 2022 has seen a return to more normal activities after 2 years which were affected by the Covid pandemic. Our income has exceeded expenditure by £26,000 but this has been due to bequests and the start of our fundraising for the roof repairs. Without these items, expenditure would have exceeded income by £15,000. Lettings have brought in revenue similar to pre-Covid levels and the Saturday café is now helping the church finances. Building maintenance costs are lower than last year, as was to be expected considering the amount spent in 2020/21 on decorating and carpeting of the church. Utility costs rose in line with the increased use of the buildings, however, our energy contracts ended at the end of August and this coming year will show a very significant increase in costs due to the current state of the energy markets.

There is a need to continue with our fundraising and freewill giving if we are to meet the challenges before us in the years ahead.



