

**St
Leonard's
Church**

Main Street
Glaphorn

Parochial Church Council

**2009 Annual
Report and
Accounts**

*(On payments &
receipts basis)*

Members of the PCC

Richard Ormston (*Vicar*)
Stephen Webster (*Curate*)
Charles Wide (*Reader*)
Cherrill Sands (*Chairperson*)
Pauline Davidson (*Churchwarden*)
Ursula Wide (*Churchwarden*)
Tricia Newton (*Secretary*)
Bob Brewer (*Treasurer*)
Giles Butlin
Brigitte Hilton
Rosemary Weatherburn
Emma Buckley

Members of the Social Committee

Cherrill Sands (*Chairperson*)
Sue Brewer (*Secretary*)
Rosemary Weatherburn
Jan Butlin
Dorothy Coleman
Tricia Newton
Ursula Wide
Brigitte Hilton

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(deposit accounts): Central Board of Finance of the Church of England, 80 Cheapside, London
Independent Examiner Rex Porritt, 14 Wentworth Drive, Oundle

Receipts	Payments	Notes
407.20		Alms: (£123.80) – Donation for For New Service Books: (£87.40) – Direct Donations (£196.00)
58.95		Smartie Appeal
3581.20		Collections at Church Services (excluding Gift Aid rebate – see below)
		No income from Christenings or Blessings
175.00		Fees from 1 wedding
9653.00		Standing Orders (excluding Gift Aid rebate – see next item)
5447.30		2 year's Gift Aid rebates from HMR&C (2007/8 = £2374.96 and 2008/9 = £3072.34)
293.40		Meals + Drinks after Carols
200.00	200.00	Sale of harvest Produce. Used to support Tear Fund and Family Care (£100 each)
	120.00	Donation by standing order to Casa Alianza (£10 per month)
	155.00	Annual Donation for Missionaries Christmas gifts (£30), Bell Ringers Association (£25), OYCA (£100)
	354.00	Clergy and Organists fees and expenses
	62.10	Misc. requisites (Bread, candles, palms, etc)
	314.31	Electricity supplies
	190.00	Water – Standing Charge only
	508.56	Gas
	325.86	Servicing heaters (258.41) and fire extinguishers (67.45)
	9060.00	Parish Share (paid in full)
	1155.50	Fees – Synod Fee (£45) solicitors & Land Registry Fee (£1110.50)
	69.02	Wine for after Song of Praise
	109.01	Stationary
	66.00	Two T.E.N.s (£42.00) and hire of village hall (£24.00)
36.00	36.00	Part of proceeds from Wildlife Teas / Hire of Village Hall for Wildlife Teas
	3615.96	Transfer proceeds from previous year's fundraising events and activities
	439.00	Transfer proceeds from 2008 fundraising events and activities
	984.00	Transfer to General Deposit Account to reflect reduction in Parish Share. (see below)*
19852.05	17764.32	GAIN = £2087.73
Opening Balance £ 1064.18		Gain £ 2087.73
Closing Balance £3151.91		

COMBINED DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

7.19		Interest from CBF C of E deposit account
984.00		Transfer equivalent to Parish Share reduction held in reserve until needed to help others
991.19		GAIN = £991.19
Opening Balance £ 471.83		Gain £ 991.19
Closing Balance £1463.02		

ORGAN DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

16.68		Interest from CBF C of E deposit account
	92.82	Organ tuning
16.68	92.82	REDUCTION = £76.14
Opening Balance £ 1147.22		Reduction £ 76.14
Closing Balance = £1071.08		

CHURCHYARD DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

67.82		Interest from CBF C of E deposit account
113.00		Funeral fees, headstone fees, interment fees & collections at funeral services
	19.60	Servicing and repairing Mower
	1524.00	Maintenance – straightening headstones (£660.00) and grass cutting etc (£864.00)
180.82	1543.60	REDUCTION = £1362.78
Opening Balance £ 4729.79		Reduction £ 1362.78
Closing Balance £ 3367.01		

FABRIC DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

305.41		Interest from CBF C of E deposit account
	322.00	Electrical Inspection
	862.50	Architects Plans for toilet and kitchen area
	58.75	Directory of Social Change
£825.63		Bequest from the late Mabel Hassell
4460.10		FUND RAISING EVENTS: Carol Service suppers (2008 £102.00) + Coffee mornings (£200.40 & £455.00) + Wildlife Teas (£122.70) + Sponsored Cycling (£20.00) + Summer Celebration (£3560.00)
276.80		FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES: Proceeds from Giant Christmas Card (£121.80) + Racks for recycling bins (£100.00) + Sale of toy helicopter (£20.00) + sale of kindling (£35.00)
3615.96		Transfer proceeds from previous year's fundraising events and activities
439.00		Transfer proceeds from 2008 fundraising events and activities
9922.90	1243.25	GAIN = £8679.65
Opening Balance £ 19827.30		Gain £ 8679.65
Closing Balance £ 28506.95		

FLOODLIGHTING CURRENT & DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

15.31		Interest from CBF C of E deposit account
115.00		Donations for dedications
	626.75	Electrical Repairs
130.31	626.75	REDUCTION = £496.44
Opening Bal £ 204.60+1005.45		Reduction = £496.44
Closing Bal (£ 319.60 current + 394.01 deposit)		

2009 receipts exceeded payments by £9823

Total wealth stands at £38273

Examined by Rex Porritt

Introduction

This report is designed to meet the requirements of the Charities Act 1993, and associated regulations, as they affect PCCs. The PCC is a charity, but is exempt from registration with the Charity Commissioners. This is due to change over the next few years.

Background

The PCC is responsible for Church of England Christian worship and fellowship in the Parish of Glapthorn; the maintenance of St Leonard's Church; and the upkeep of the Churchyard. The PCC is assisted by the Social Committee which is responsible for the organisation of social events and fund raising activities. Members are listed on the front cover.

Church Attendance

Glapthorn is a small village of just 111 homes and a population of just over 300, including children. There are 24 on the Electoral Roll. The average adult Sunday attendance fell by 1 to 26. We are pleased to see several attend from Oundle and further afield, some quite regularly. Details of services and other church activities are contained in the Village Diary delivered to every home in Glapthorn. Keeping villagers well informed and providing the option of 2 services each Sunday, has undoubtedly contributed to the good attendances.

Changes to the PCC & Social Committee

At the last Annual Parochial Church Meeting Keith Alvie left the Council and Emma Buckley joined it. In other respects the membership of the council and committee remained unchanged.

Pattern of Worship

The monthly pattern of services was unchanged

- 1st Sunday of the month - Family service - Richard Ormston
- 2nd Sunday of the month - Communion - John Beaumont
- 3rd Sunday of the month - Communion - Richard Ormston
- 4th Sunday of the month - Matins - Jeremy Firth
- 5th Sunday - Deanery Service at various locations
- Every Sunday evening - Evening Prayer - Charles Wide

Nine special services were held during the year:

- Ash Wednesday Communion Service on 25th February.
- Good Friday Service on 10th April.
- Summer Festival Evensong 28th June
- Songs of Praise on 2nd August.
- Harvest Festival on 4th October, followed by an auction of produce, and a bring-and-share supper in the village hall.
- Remembrance Service on 8th November.
- Christingle on 6th December.
- Carol Service on 20th December, followed by supper in the village hall.
- Christmas Communion on 25th December.

Additionally the Sunday Club for children meets monthly in the Village Hall. This is run by Verne Stark, Helen and Sid Charlton, and Julia Hart. Children from Sunday Club and Glapthorn School also participated in services, including the nativity play at Christmas.

The church remains open during daylight hours for private worship and reflection, as well as for visitors.

Review of the Year

Several worthwhile fund raising activities were held, including

The success of many of these events is the result of hard work by Cherrill Sands and the social committee; the PCC; and the involvement of many other villagers. We are very grateful for everyone's time and effort.

The 2008 campaign for new or increased standing orders had full effect in 2009. All Standing orders (£9653) and most church collections (£3581) were Gift Aided which raises a further £3000. This has improved income needed to meet regular expenditure.

Another large source of income in 2009 arose from the Summer Celebration, at which £3560 was raised. We also received an unexpected bequest from Mabel Hassell, amounting to £825.

The largest regular expense is our Parish Share, which stands at £10,044 (including a provision to help others). The amount payable will remain unchanged for the foreseeable future.

Other significant payments included £1524 for churchyard maintenance, £1110 for solicitors and Land Registry fees for Church Land, £948 for an electrical inspection and for repairs to power connections for the floodlighting, and £862 for architect's plans for toilet and kitchen.

In 2 previous years, funds from special events and activities were retained in the current account to avoid an overdraft. As a consequence of our stronger financial position these have now been transferred to the fabric account, as well as new fundraising.

Building Matters

- Headstone straightening was nearly completed in the year.
- Options were explored for installing a toilet and kitchen.
- Arrangements were made for repointing the tower in 2010.

Financial Situation

The PCC operates 7 accounts:

- Current bank account and a combined deposit account for general receipts and payments.
- Interest bearing Fabric Account for the maintenance and upgrading of the church building, fixtures, fittings and furnishings therein. Because this is our most costly outgoing, the PCC will usually resolve to apply money from major fund-raising activities to this account, and also transfer any surpluses from the above accounts to it.
- Interest bearing Organ Account for maintenance of the organ.
- Interest bearing Churchyard Account for the purchase and maintenance of mowers, and other equipment for the upkeep of the churchyard. Also for any work undertaken in the churchyard. The main source of receipts here are fees for interments, burial of ashes, and erection of headstones.
- Floodlight current account and a new deposit account for donations arising from dedications for floodlighting, and to cover extra expenditure caused by floodlighting.

The last five accounts have very specific purposes and are considered "Restricted Accounts".

In 2009 receipts exceeded payments by £9823. This was exceptional because of the incidence of Gift Aid rebates (2 in 2009) and absence of insurance premiums (2 in 2008) as well as other significant items of income listed above.

Our total wealth stands at £38273, a large portion of which will be used for repointing the tower in 2010.

Plans for Year 2010

- Sale of racks for recycling bins
- Carol Singing round the village
- Food & Drink after Carol Service

- Mornings
- Summer Celebration
- Giant Christmas card
- Sale of Kindling

- Continue holding regular services, and increase participants.
- Continue the programme of improvements to the church.
- Secure funds through events & grants for more renovation.

Bob Brewer - *(Treasurer)*

2009 Accounts & Report were agreed and adopted by Glaphorn Parochial Church Council