

**ST LUKE'S CHURCH, VICTORIA DOCKS**  
**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2019**

**Administrative information**

St. Luke's Church is situated in Ruscoe Road, Canning Town. It is part of the Diocese of Chelmsford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, 16<sup>a</sup> Ruscoe Road, Canning Town, London. E16 1JB.

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

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 until the date this report was approved are:

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS (4)**

Rev'd Amy Stott	- INCUMBENT & CHAIRMAN (FROM 1 FEBRUARY 2020)
Rev'd. Canon Dave Wade	- INCUMBENT & CHAIRMAN (TO 31 MARCH 2019)
Rev'd. Emeka Ejinkonye	- ASSOCIATE MINISTER (TO 31 JANUARY 2020)
Carole Davison	- LAY READER, ACTIVE CHURCH -AND SAFEGUARDING FROM 6 MARCH 2019

**CHURCHWARDEN MEMBERS (2)**

Liz Farrell	- JOINT VICE CHAIRMAN
Manford Koya	- JOINT VICE CHAIRMAN

**DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES: (2)**

Geofery Addy	- PARISH EVANGELIST/DEPUTY WARDEN
Gill Holt	- SUNDAY SCHOOL COORDINATOR AND ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER

**ELECTED MEMBERS (12)**

Geraldine Abbey	- PCC SECRETARY FROM 6 MARCH 2019
Susan Cox	- TREASURER
Marvis Cudjoe	- WEB MASTER
Joe Farrell	- SIDESMAN
Chris Hall	
Stella Jones	
Ann-Marie Kargbo	
Theresa Lartey	

Martins Lawal CO-OPTED FROM 16 MAY 2019

Aderenle Olaofe

Esther Sotubo

Nicky Wade

- SAFEGUARDING, MUSICAL DIRECTOR & PCC SECRETARY -  
TO 6 MARCH 2019

**A TOTAL OF 18 PEOPLE SERVED ST. LUKE'S CHURCH ON ITS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

## **Structure, governance and management**

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

## **Objectives and Activities**

St Luke's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent (currently vacant), in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance and running costs responsibilities for the Church Centre complex of St Luke's, Canning Town, London. Following the resignation of the Rev'd Canon Dave Wade with effect from 31 March 2019 the Rev'd Amy Stott was appointed as Curate in Charge from February 2020.

## **Achievements and Performance**

### ***Church attendance:***

Following the recent revision of the Electoral Roll we now have 69 people on the Electoral Roll, 42 living outside the parish and 27 living within.

### ***Review of the year:***

The full PCC met six times during the year with an average level of attendance of 84%. All business was conducted and agreed by the full PCC.

## **Financial Review**

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £22,515 and are detailed in the Financial Statements. The Gift Aid reclaims relating to this period have been made since the year end. The income shows an increase of approximately £3,300 compared to 2018.

£33,006 was spent to provide the Christian ministry from St Luke's Church and the increase from 2018 is primarily due to the catching up of contributions to the School in 2019 and additional costs arising from the interregnum. There was an increase of £468 in our contribution to the diocesan parish share, which provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. The Parish Share is the sum that the Churches in the deanery have to find and is shared between the Churches according to a formula that is based mainly on a head count of the congregations. St. Luke's Church, despite the growth of recent years, continues to be heavily supported by churches in more affluent parts of the Diocese.

The net result for the year was a deficit of receipts over payments of £8,925. The balances carried forward at 31<sup>st</sup> December for unrestricted funds totalled £29,496.

### **Reserves policy**

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to approximately six months unrestricted payments, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £20,550 on unrestricted funds at the year end exceeds this target but the trustees consider this situation to be acceptable because of the uncertain future impact on both income and costs of the fall in population over the next few years while the regeneration project is in progress.

It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

The Chelmsford Diocesan Board of Finance Trust Funds included within the restricted funds are administered by the Diocese. The Diocese holds these endowment funds as Custodian Trustee on behalf of the Parish and the capital values for 2018 and 2019 are included within the accounts. The Parish has access to the income from these endowment funds but not to the capital.

**Approved by the PCC on 24 September 2020 and signed on their behalf by Rev Amy Stott, Curate in Charge**