

St. Congar's Church, Badgworth 2021 Annual Churchwarden's report

Dear Friends and Neighbours,

We wish to describe the events over the past year at both your Parish Church and the Badgworth Schoolrooms Foundation (Churchwardens and Incumbent are automatically appointed Trustees) over the past twelve months. You will be only too aware that the COVID-19 pandemic affected both institutions by restricting your right to enter the church and the schoolrooms. We also wish to outline our vision for the future for the Church and our hopes for the fabric of the Schoolhouse and Schoolroom. We have grouped our report in the same headings: Activities with People, Actions with property and Assessment of Finances, also our Three-Year Vision as Trustees of the Church and the Badgworth Schoolrooms Foundation. We hope that you will take the time to read this report and let us know your views on what we have done and hope to do in the future. We would like to thank Tina Savage for her openness with us, her brilliant social activities and exhibition and for joining our Trustees Meetings with patience and comment. As most of you know, Churchwardens, Trustees and Management Committee Members are all volunteers, we need your support to thrive and ask you to 'step up' when we ask for our replacements, Churchwardens are encouraged to stay in post for three years and are disqualified from standing for office after six consecutives years unless the PCC votes to reject that cannon.

### St. Conger's Church

### Activities with people:

Our church has been open for private worship since the previous year and for public worship from Sunday 12th July 2021, with Debra Anderson starting us off by giving a solo performance during 6 O'clock Evening Prayer from the Chancel, as only one person was allowed to sing, and that at a safe distance, we estimated at more than three metres.

Robert and Debra Anderson created the <u>Crook Peak Special Choir</u>, whose excellent performances included singing at 10 O'clock Holy Communion, Evensong, and Tina's Exhibition in the Schoolroom, they raised the roof at the Rededication of our 5 bells, 6pm Sunday 24th October when the Ven. Anne Gell, Archdeacon presided. The Crook Peak Special Choir truly lived up to its name this Christmas season with four services planned around the parish. Unfortunately, the candlelight carol service at Christon on 23 Dec. had to be cancelled due to the Omicron variant but the Advent service at Badgworth on 28 Nov. was well attended and well sung by the choir. The choir lent their voices to the congregation at Biddisham for their carol service of light on 5 Dec and at Loxton for their family carol service on 12 Dec. The choir contributed an extra celebratory feel to these services, which we all especially appreciated this 2nd pandemic Christmas, and we thank them most warmly for their commitment of time and effort

in our parish Christmas services. You can contact Debra Anderson if you wish to sing with the Crook Peak Special Choir-

Robert and Debra Anderson found and acquired a digital, three manual organ, the purchase of which was agreed by the PCC, this splendid instrument is now installed at the rear of the Nave on the north wall, two small pews were removed and are now against the wall nearby. Mr. Ray Willis the Diocesan adviser on church organs, has promised to arrange for a rolling five-year faculty for this installation.

Hollie Bailey set up a Mums and Toddlers Playgroup on Tuesday afternoons in the North Aisle Chapel that now has a colourful play-mat floor, a Wendy House and an Agility Tunnel.

Robert Anderson has drawn four of us into a <u>Bell-ringing Band</u>, we need one or two more volunteers please, whose training proper will be week commencing 16th August.

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### **Actions with Property:**

The Church <u>windows were re-pointed</u> with limestone mortar inside and out, George Hael, almost our resident stonemason, completed the work over two weeks, he also replaced the broken mullion on the North side of the North aisle chapel.

The <u>ceiling of the Chancel was repaired</u> where a small section of limestone plaster had fallen, by Simon Brunt.

The medieval external rendering to the North Aisle Chapel and the Church was repaired and conserved by Well Cathedral Stonemasons Limited, lead by Simon Brunt and aided by George Hael and Edmund. The final coat of Harlin takes about three weeks to harden off and in a few places had to be re-applied, three times, after the storms in April/May. There is still evidence that the rendering has a few small patches where the colour has been eroded by the wersterly winds and rains.

#### Assessment of Finances:

The Church's finances have been strong, due mostly to en-cashing £10,000 of small trusts to pay for building repairs and to donations. VAT reclaim from the repair and conservation of the fallen Triptych added £1210. Our funds make little or no interest, with this in mind John Klinker (Treasurer of the BSF) and I (Treasurer and Trustee of St. Congar's Church) arranged for a loan of £5,000 over 2 years to be made to the Badgworth Schoolroom Foundation from the church to reduce their bank costs on a similar loan and pay a small amount of interest to the church after the loan is paid of (at £209 per month) this arrangement was approved by the PCC.

| St Congar's Church,<br>Badgworth Financial<br>Report 2021 |        |   |        |
|---|--------|---|--------|
| Balance Sheet   |        |   |        |
| Liabilities Opening Cash at bank                          | 00770  | Assets Closing cash at bank,            | 4.4400 |
| Balance as at 01.01.2021                                  | 28779  | Balance at 31.12.2021                   | 14488  |
| Surplus   | -14443 | Cash                                    | 0      |
| Loan payment not yet made                                 | 3553   | Debtors                                 | 0      |
| Loan interest not yet paid                                | 299    | Loan repayment<br>Loan interest due May | 3553   |
| Cash  | 152    | 2023                                    | 299    |
| Total net liabilities                                     | 18340  | Net Assets                              | 18340  |

#### Three-Year Vision:

"To make the Church more like a Community Centre", those were words said to me by Ven. Anne Gell, our Archdeacon, prior to the swearing—in of Churchwardens in Cheddar Church 17th May 2018. I asked her if the Diocese wanted to make Community Centres more like churches (at this time we were holding services on the first Sunday in the month at Cross Memorial Hall with breakfast before hand) or the other way around, this was her response "To make Churches more like a Community Centres".

Our church is always open, all are welcome, and Truespeed has promised free high-speed broadband Wi-Fi.

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Churchwarden Hollie Bailey



Within this vision we see the need to install a toilet, kitchen and some comfortable seating.

We wish to continue with the presentation of traditional music, possibly music recitals and the use of the Book of Common Prayer for as long as our congregation ask for it in conjunction with a single Common Worship Booklet version one.

## **Badgworth Schoolroom Foundation**

#### **Actions with Property:**

The Trustees have paid for and the Management Committee Project Managed, the installation of a new floor in the schoolroom at a cost of £9868.75. In addition to this the Trustees have funded a new kitchen in the School House and Building and repair works to the Schoolroom and installed a replacement flagpole.

## Three-year vision

Bank

Investments

To build on the close relationship between Trustees and the Management Committee, that will conclude our current discussions on roles and responsibilities both of Trustees (most of which is written down in the Trust Deed of 1922) and the Management Committee (some of which is enclosed in a 'License' issued by the Trust and all of which will be relevant and practical. Discussions are continuing.

We will continue to upgrade the School House in-line with our Trustee's 'charter' within the limits of our finances. We will also look to the external buildings of the schoolhouse with a view to repairing them, again in-line with the priorities on our finances.

#### **Assessment of Finances Management Committee:**

| Expenditure                                     |                    |                       |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Total   | £4,610.00          |                       |
| Scouts Cooker and<br>Pans<br>Table Tennis table | £594.00            | Funded by<br>Trustees |
| railings 100 Club                               | £660.00<br>£430.00 |                       |
| Cleaning  | £684.00            |                       |
| Ground maint.                                   | £829.00            |                       |
|   | £3,197.00          | 69%                   |
| Cash Status                                     |                    |                       |

| Income       |            |
|--------------|------------|
|              |            |
| Total        | £13,408.00 |
|              |            |
| Scouts       | £594.00    |
| Scouls       | 2394.00    |
| 100 Club     | £755.00    |
| Lettings*    | £1,582.00  |
| Covid Grants | £10,096.00 |
| Parish       |            |
| Council      | £85.00     |
|              | £13,112.00 |

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£12,318.00 £4,860.00



**Badgworth School Foundation - Trustees finances** 

# **Badgworth School Foundation 2021 Trustees Accounts**

|                             | 1st Jan    | 29th Dec   |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Lloyds Bank Savings Account | £10,073.30 | £2,542.50  |
| Lloyds Bank Current Account | £3,315.97  | £905.20    |
| Total                       | £13,389.27 | £3,447.70  |
|                             |            |            |
| CCLA Share Account          | £43,634.34 | £49,445.66 |
| Total (shares)              | 2134.60    | 2134.60    |
|                             |            |            |
| CCLA Investment Dividends   |            | 2021       |
|                             |            | £1,268.58  |

| School House Income                    | Each<br>Quarter   | 2021               |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|
| Gross (£675)                           | £2,025.00         | £8,100.00          |
| Kings Estate Agents (10%)<br>VAT (20%) | £202.50<br>£40.50 | £810.00<br>£162.00 |

## **Expenditure Schoolrooms and Schoolhouse:**



|    | Expenditure                       |           |
|----|-----------------------------------|-----------|
|    | Total £23,354.77                  | £         |
| 1  | 2020 Committed not invoiced       |           |
| 2  | School House & Room Insurance     | 964.61    |
| 3  | Scouts Support                    | 593.95    |
| 4  | School House Chimney cowl         | 120.00    |
| 5  | School House damp wall            | 214.40    |
| 6  | School House guttering            | 372.00    |
| 7  | School House Electrics            | 3,215.06  |
| 8  | School House kitchen plumbing     | 808.80    |
| 9  | School House kitchen electrics    | 826.60    |
| 10 | School House Kitchen              | 10,908.00 |
| 11 | Plaster and tiles for kitchen     | 776.63    |
| 12 | Kitchen tiles, adhesive and grout | 83.68     |
| 13 | School Room Chimney               | 0         |
| 14 | School Room flag pole remove      | 269.00    |
| 15 | School Room external flag pole    | 242.73    |
| 16 | School Room external flag pole    | 120.00    |
| 17 | Scouts shed roof                  | 33.30     |
| 18 | School House heaters              | 118.00    |
| 20 | Educational Grant 1               | 300.00    |
| 21 | Educational Grant 2               | 300.00    |
| 22 | Educational Grant 3               | 510.00    |
| 23 | Septic Tank pipe clean - Groves   | 144.00    |
| 24 | Septic Tank - Andersons           | 288.00    |
| 25 | School House front door & flu     | 245.82    |
| 26 | School Rooms - electrical         | 269.57    |
| 27 | School House ann. green bin fee   | 57.20     |
| 29 | School House kitchen lights       | 110.42    |
| 30 | Scouts hut window                 | -         |
| 31 | Church Loan repayment             | 1463.00   |
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Debra Anderson and David Parker, Churchwardens