Finance MAP TEAM

REPORT TO THE ST. JOHN’S & ST. ANNE’S CHURCH CONGREGATION

APCM – 8th May 2022

MAP Achievements of Objectives for 2021 – 2022

MAP Objectives for 2022 - 2023 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Finance team members are Sue Harvey, Carol Moody, Tim Gibson and Martin Deadman.

I am grateful to all members of the Finance Team who give so generously of their time and talents.

Please note that as the COVID pandemic continued throughout 2021, some objectives were curtailed and emphasis placed on financial continuity and parish endurance.

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**Objectives and Outcomes for year ending April 2022 (as noted at the APCM 2021)**

Keep Standing Committee and PCC updated on the parish’s financial position including reserves, in a comprehensive and timely manner.

This objective was met during the year as there were two members of Finance MAP on Standing Committee (SC) and fully represented at PCC.

Finance statements were provided at both meetings and cashflow statements circulated to SC during the first 6 months of the new year.

It was obvious from the diminishing “long term” reserves (held in CCLA) that no sign of any reasonable recovery throughout 2021 was anticipated, but endeavored to minimize loses where possible.

Support all the parish functions, including new initiatives on fund raising; efficient planned giving and stewardship campaigns as it moves from lockdown to normality, appreciating changes in the public’s attitude towards cash.

Unfortunately many of the “initiatives” were curtailed due to the ongoing pandemic. Valiant efforts were made by introducing the online giving site (Stewardship) and a donation card machine in the church.

There has been a minimal recovery in plate donations equal to the gradual increase of congregational numbers, but effort needs to be channeled during 2022-23.

Review current banking processes in light of financial administration constraints due to pandemic movement restrictions. Convert more of the parish banking system to online access, without losing its manual capability.

The first part of this objective has been achieved and the Finance team have worked efficiently and effectively using digital communications and electronic payments, to ensure all suppliers and staff commitments met.

The move to the parish’s second bank account on line was not deemed a priority during the interregnum as the first system worked well. Subsequent to changes in banking charging policy (for chanties) and the appointment of a new vicar, the transfer of our second account will be an objective during 2022.

**Objectives for 2022 – 2023**

Formal objectives have not been set by Finance at this stage.

The finance team will work with the vicar reviewing the past and current position with the purpose of planning and funding a growth within the parish.

In conjunction with the vicar and parish team, will assist in any review of financial procedures and policies that may be required in the support of current and anticipated activities, moving forward into new realms.