

Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Marston Moreteyne and Lidlington Year End 2023

Celebrating our Villages' Church Life

1 Aim and Purposes

The primary object of St Mary's PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It has the responsibility of cooperating with the Priest-in-Charge, the Reverend Canon Andrew Goodman, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church and churchyards of St Marys, Marston Moreteyne and Lidlington for the benefit of the people of Marston Moreteyne and Lidlington.

In carrying out these objects, the PCC seeks to comply with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance in exercising any powers or duties to which the guidance is relevant.

2 Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St Mary's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and Scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus Christ
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the church of St Mary's and the churchyards in Marston Moreteyne and Lidlington.

Our vision at St Mary's

To be a Tower of living stones; chosen, mended and built by Jesus our Cornerstone - to make followers for Him, be a sanctuary of prayer and a community of love.

3 Achievements and performance

Worship and prayer

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, our Tuesday Morning Prayer provides a quiet, intimate and reflective environment for worship, while opportunities are provided for people to engage in more outgoing worship at the Sung Sunday Morning Eucharist and Family Service within our parish.

This year we have continued to welcome a small number of young families to St Mary's 9.30am Family Service.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. The average Sunday weekly attendance, counted during October 2023, was 56 Adults, and 11 Children (including 3 adults under 50, 25 age 50-69 and 17 over 70). We had 26 people attending our Easter Vigil, and on Easter Sunday Family Service, 18 children and 44 adults, total attending Easter Day and Vigil was 113 people. Our Christmas Carols by Candlelight service for the villages was enjoyed by 72 adults and 10 children and our Crib Service attendance was a packed house with 146 adults and 58 children. At Christmas Midnight Mass the number of communicants was 52 with 77 people attending and on Christmas Day Family Service we had 4 children and 17 adults. Around 19 people on average attended our weekday Tuesday Morning Prayer.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of their journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life. Six children were baptised along with 2 adults and also 2 adults Affirming their Baptismal Faith and 3 Confirmations. In marriage, public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and we had the joy of celebrating the marriage in the church of three couples and one Thanksgiving and Renewal of Marriage Vows. Through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life that is now complete in this world, and commend the person into God's keeping. We had 4 Burials and 10 Funerals. We also provide Services and opportunities to pray and reflect on significant moments in the life of our nation, such as Remembrance.

Discipleship

We have held sessions on Faith and Spirituality advertised to the community during the seasons of Lent and Advent. For Lent 2023 we ran [The Bible Course](#) daytime and evening sessions exploring the big story of the Bible. From this developed an ongoing Discipleship group meeting Wednesday lunchtimes and a Catechism Course for Candidates wishing to Affirm their Baptismal Vows. For Advent 2023 we had Prayer Stations around the Church created by our groups.

Mission and evangelism

Personal invitations were issued in 2023 by the Priest-in-Charge and church members. Posters and Invitation cards were distributed to retailers. The weekly Sermon Podcast [TowerPod](#) is published on all the major platforms and social media in order to share Christian teaching and values with all residents in our villages. An occasional Newsletter is distributed electronically to all parishioners on the church electoral roll and is available in print and online in the Parish Council Newsletter. The Newsletter keeps our parishioners informed of the important matters affecting our church, invitations to events and articles that help develop our knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Pastoral care

Revd. Andrew Goodman carries out Pastoral Visits to church members and those in need in our villages. He takes monthly Holy Communion to our Care Homes, Village Green, and Blakelands Lodge assisted by Joe Horton and Tyler Iles, and ministers Anointing to the Sick and Dying. We keep the staff and residents of the Care Homes in our prayers. Mrs Sue Brooks and Revd. Judy Harris started taking Home Communion to the sick and those who need to stay at home. and Members of the church family also undertake pastoral care for one another and their community informally.

Church and Community Engagement

We want to be able to open our church every day to our community for private prayer, reflection, and solace in time of need. We are pleased that a rota of parishioners has enabled us to open the church every day, including weekends and for all public holidays in the past year.

Around 15-20 people regularly attend our Wednesday Afternoon Teas offering refreshments and opportunities for conversation and pastoral care, accompanied by our musicians practising and playing well known tunes to enjoy. We were pleased to be able to make this an officially designated Warm Space.

We hold a very well organised Playgroup 'Teas and Tots' for the community twice a month attended by about 18 parents and 20 children and babies, who enjoy music, games and toys, refreshments, stories and songs to help them understand and appreciate the Christian story.

Our Social Committee arranges many varied and excellent events throughout the year for the benefit of our community and church and raises needed funds.

Schools Work

Revd. Andrew Goodman, Mrs Marti Mann, and Mrs Sam Kelsall lead Collective Worship on both school sites twice per term. Church members volunteer in the school. School Services and Concerts are held in church, and this year the Diocesan Heart for the Earth Programme in church led by Mrs Kelsall with our thanks. The church has supported a number of families in the community by shopping for food and essentials. This work continued by supporting the Need Project as well as liaising with the School and Marston Families Initiative to cover the gap in provision for villagers in need between referral and delivery by the Need Project. We also distribute gifts for children and families at Christmas and Easter.

Ecumenical relationships

We hold a monthly leadership meeting for prayer and collaboration with Vale Community Church. From time to time we promote Lidlington Church events and Revd Andrew Goodman is available to support on matters of Prayer, Healing, and Deliverance on request.

Pam Turner, PCC Secretary with Revd. Andrew Goodman

Electoral Roll Report

There were 66 people on the Electoral Roll for the period. 3 had moved away from the area and 2 had stood down.

Stephen Murphy, Electoral Roll Officer

Fabric, Churchwardens Report including Risk Management

Terrier

There have been no changes to the terrier in the last 12 months.

Risk assessments

Risk assessments were reviewed. No major changes were needed.

Servicing

Annual services were carried out on the boilers, the fire extinguishers and the organ. Portable electrical appliances were safety checked.

Roofs and gutters were inspected. Flashings on the nave roof were found to be in need of repair.

Fabric

The quinquennial inspection has been carried out. It raises a number of points that need to be actioned. These need to be prioritised and actioned as and when funds / labour are available.

There is a recurring problem with flooding in the churchyard. It flooded twice last year and has already flooded twice this year. In the past we have been able to borrow pumps to clear the water but have now purchased two pumps and the necessary hoses so we have them available to deploy should flooding occur.

The flooding seems to occur when the drains outside the churchyard are not able to cope with heavy rain e.g. a thunderstorm. We are talking to the district council to try to find a solution to the problem and prevent further flooding.

Routine maintenance was carried out on the gas boilers, fire extinguishers, and the organ. Portable appliance testing was also carried out. Fan motors were replaced in two of the heaters.

Lidlington Churchyard

A lot of work has been done to clear brambles from the churchyard and all the marked graves are now accessible. A comment from a long time Lidlington resident, "It's the best I've ever seen it". However, we still need more volunteers to help with maintenance.

The very wet weather through the winter and early spring has left the ground saturated. Multiple springs have sprung up throughout the churchyard. The unstable ground has prevented a burial from going ahead as the family plot is in a waterlogged state. Other areas of the churchyard are unaffected.

Abbotts undertakers will no longer carry out burials in the churchyard due to access problems with the steep ground and long distance to carry the coffins to the available grave spaces. Haseldines undertakers from Cranfield are still willing to conduct burials.

Stephen Murphy, Churchwarden

Worship Committee

The Worship Committee meets monthly to plan music for services, both in person and on Zoom, in consultation with Revd. Andrew Goodman. This group collaboratively plans the music for forthcoming services and explores ways to enhance worship. The choir have been providing excellent leadership to our worship.

In addition to planning and providing the music for services, John, Marion, Celia and Sue regularly play at Wednesday afternoon teas, their playing is really appreciated.

School Foundation Governors Report

I was appointed as a foundation school governor in June 2022, having been nominated by the PCC and confirmation from the Head Teacher, for a term of three years. There is one Church Vacancy.

There are monthly school governor meetings, usually held at Forest End, during the year with the exception of August, The December meeting is held if there is business to discuss. During the first Year I was the school governor for Year 4. This involved a minimum of termly meetings with the Head of Year and the submission of termly reports to the governors meeting. This year I am the governor for Year 1. With the support of the Head Teacher and Chair of the board of Governors, I took a sabbatical between June 2023 and October 2024, returning in November 2024,

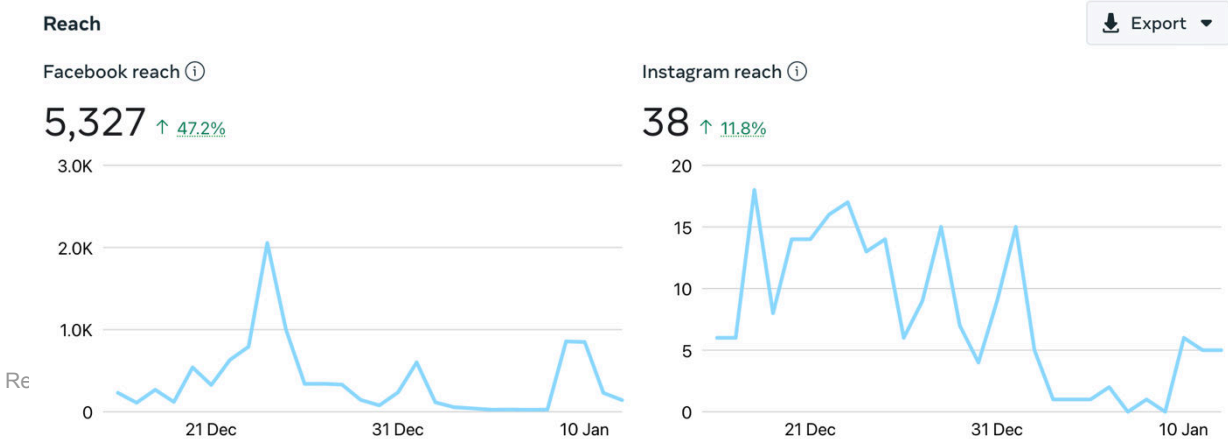
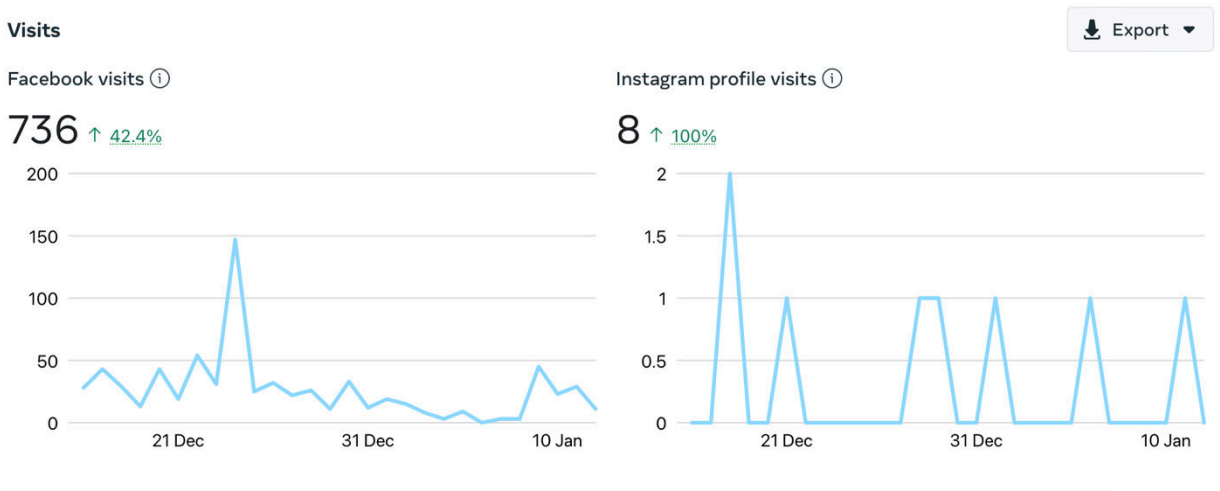
In addition to the school governor role, I'm in school every Monday afternoon to hear pupils from Year 4 read, Tuesday mornings to hear pupils from Year 1 read and Thursday mornings to deliver and set out the food for Supporting Marston Families. There are also additional meetings with the Head Teacher/Deputy Head and the Chair of Governors as required,

The school has strong links with both the churches in the village. The school's Christian message, clearly displayed at both sites is from Jeremiah 11: *" For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope for the future"*

We had an OFSTED inspection on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February 2024 published on the [school website](#).

Juliet Taylor

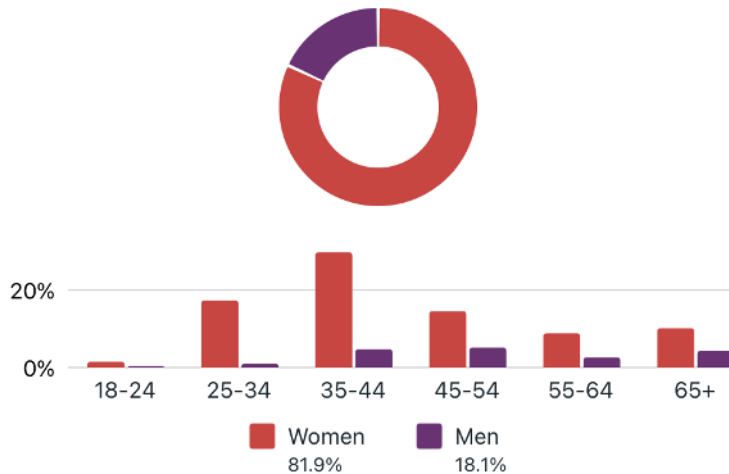
Social Media Report



Facebook followers ⓘ

692

Age & gender ⓘ



Website

In November 2023 there were 616 page views by 278 visitors to your website. 44.64% of these visitors accessed the site using a desktop computer, 53.90% by mobile phone, 1.46% by tablet.

The five most popular pages are as follows:

- 202 views of the home page
- 62 views of the calendar page
- 60 views of the contact page
- 44 views of the history page
- 34 views of the event page

In December 2023 there were 909 page views by 376 visitors to your website. 45.65% of these visitors accessed the site using a desktop computer, 51.60% by mobile phone, 2.75% by tablet.

The five most popular pages are as follows:

- 312 views of the home page
- 55 views of the calendar page
- 48 views of the history page
- 42 views of the baptism page
- 40 views of the contact page

Our [Business Profile](#) on Google and Google Maps had 144 Interactions in December 2023, 279 views, 46 searches, 4 calls, 50 Directions requests and 90 website clicks.

Marti Mann - Social Media

Deanery Synod Report

I was elected as the PCC Deanery Synod representative at the PCC APCM on the 17th May 2022 for a period of three years. Churches take it in turn to host the Bedford Deanery Synod meetings. During 2023 the Deanery Synod meetings were held on: 25th May; 28th June & 18th October. The first part of the meeting is given to a guest speaker followed by Qs & As and discussion. The second part of the meeting follows standard agenda items, to include:

Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising

- General Synod Report
- Deanery Synod Report
- Financial Report
- Safeguarding Report

At the May meeting the guest speaker was Malcolm Grant from the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust, in June the guest speaker was Robert Hargrave, the diocesan Communication Director and in October the guest speaker was Rev'd Andrea Maffei, who spoke about young people and the environment.

The meetings for 2024 are planned for: 13th March; 20th June and 16th October.

I usually feed back to the PCC at the PCC meeting after the Deanery Synod meeting,

Supporting Marston Families

Both St. Mary's and the Vale churches continue to support this initiative. I collect donations of dry and/or tinned goods and/or small gifts of cash on the last Sunday of each month, The goods are taken to the Marston Moreteyne VC School, Church End Site on the next term-time Thursday morning and the cash given to the clerk to the governors/Finance manager and it is used to contribute to the cost of the weekly shopping that is done for Supporting Marston Families. Gayle and I shop every Thursday morning in the large Co op, buying items including milk, bread, cereal, pasta, baked beans & sometimes toiletries. We then deliver the shopping to the Church End site & set it out by 08.15hrs. A representative from the Vale church does the same for the Forest End site. We submit the receipts every two to three weeks and are reimbursed into our bank accounts approximately two weeks after we submit the receipts.

In addition, if the school refers any families to the Need Project, we will do an emergency shop to last 48 to 72 hours for the family and deliver it to the relevant school site or drop it to the family home, whichever the family prefer,

Last year several ladies from St, Mary's knitted baby clothes for an expectant mother and gave baby clothes and toiletries for mother & baby, which were given to the school welfare officer to pass on. They were very gratefully received.

Juliet Taylor – Deanery Synod representative, & Marston Families

Children & Families Service and Tea and Tots

Family Service

The attendance of family service fluctuates, but we do have regular families who attend. There have also been some new families who have started to come. The children particularly enjoyed the Pet Service and creating the Nativity for the Christmas Eve Crib Service. The extra special visitor (donkey!) was well received by all. Once a month, the family service is communion. Since January 2024, the family services follow the gospel reading for the week and children complete a craft before most services.

Tea and Tots

Tea and Tots continues to grow with new families attending. About 15-20 children join us on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month. During the school holidays (Christmas and Easter) and for the school's INSET day, we invited older children to join T&Ts and they enjoyed crafts and games. Marti continues to plan a range of lovely craft activities, related to key events and bible stories. These are brightly

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displayed in church and visitors and members of the congregation regularly comment on how lovely it looks. After snack time, Peter tells the children a story from the bible and sings songs with them. Each session finishes with bubbles and a song – an engaging end to the morning.

Thank you to Anita, Emma, Val, Bridget, Peter, Neil, Reverend Andrew and all of the volunteers who help with refreshments, help with setting up, leading activities and chatting with the families. Some of the families who attend T&Ts now join us for our family services.

All Age Worship

We have had one all age worship for Candlemas, where the children led the prayers and all members of the congregation joined in with the musical instrument. We look to do this more for key services e.g. Mother's Day.

School Assembly

Every term Marti, Sam and Reverend Andrew visit both sites to deliver four assemblies per site. Each assembly has a special guest, Jeff the church dog, and he tells the story from One Way UK (Christian puppet resource).

Social Events for Children

The social committee have planned some exciting events for children and families this year. Thank you to Elaine, Marti and the committee for planning the harvest lunch, Easter bonnet parade, Christmas party and silent disco.

Baptism Families

For various reasons we have not sustained our group 'Inspire' Preparation Sessions for Baptism Preparation. Preparation has been carried out with individual families by Revd. Andrew. It is hoped we can re-start Inspire or some other group preparation in due course. Children are presented with the gift of a Jesus Story Book Bible from the Church.

Rebecca Eames - Children and Families

Social Committee Report

We are into the new year and have plenty planned for the forthcoming months ahead. Looking back to the end of 2023 social have had some successful events. The baked potato lunch was very well attended and raised money for funds. The fish and chip supper also proved to be popular with nearly forty people. Thanks to Alan who promoted this one for us. We must also thank Spud and Dave for their help getting everything ready.

We will concentrate on advertising our events well this year and get the word out to as many as possible.

A big thank you goes to all the committee for their hard work and to all those that have supported us.

Elaine Murphy Chair of Social Committee

Safeguarding Report

The PCC, to the best of its knowledge, has taken all reasonable steps to comply with their duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults), and to comply with all relevant updates.

The Incumbent and PCC have a duty of care to ensure the well-being of the vulnerable in the church community. St. Mary's PCC have:

- Adopted and implemented the House of Bishops' Policies on safeguarding children and adults who may be vulnerable.
- Adopted a Parish Safeguarding Officer(s) (the 'Designated Person' with special responsibility for safeguarding children and adults), to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Ensured that the Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs) and anyone having regular contact with children and vulnerable adults is appointed according to Diocesan Safer Recruitment Guidelines, is trained and supported, provided with (alongside the PCC) a copy of the parish safeguarding policy.
- Dealt promptly with allegations or suspicions of abuse in accordance with the Disclosures and Allegations policy in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer.
- Displayed the Diocesan and Parish Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, the contact details of the PSOs named person on church premises and wherever possible on the church website.
- Ensured that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Reviewed the implementation of safeguarding children and adults' policy, procedures and good practice, at least annually.

Parish Safeguarding

At St Mary's we recognise that the few who are determined to harm children or adults, deliberately seek out groups or organisations where they can meet children or other vulnerable people. The Church is particularly vulnerable to these people. Creating and maintaining a safeguarding culture will discourage them from becoming involved for the wrong reasons and make it difficult for them to harm or abuse children or adults if they do. In order to assist with the creation of a safeguarding culture we have as a PCC:

Appointed:

- At least two appropriately experienced designated Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSO) to work with the incumbent and PCC. Both are lay persons and are also DBS administrators for church officers who work with children or vulnerable adults. **ONE VACANCY**
- The PSO is supported, trained and given a copy of the parish safeguarding policy and procedures;

Safer Recruitment practice by:

- Appointing all church officers who work with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults are recruited in line with the principles outlined in House of Bishops' Safer Recruitment practice guidance including regular DBS applications.
- Offering individuals access to safeguarding training and support (in person and on-line)
- Providing appropriate insurance to cover for all activities undertaken in the name of the PCC which involve children and vulnerable adults;

Displayed:

- A formal statement of adoption of the House of Bishops 'Promoting a Safer Church; safeguarding policy statement' is signed on behalf of the PCC and is displayed in church on the safeguarding board.
- Contact details of the Churchwarden and any other local leaders.
- Contact details of the PSOs the Diocesan Safeguarding Team – including phone, email and website details and Information about where to get help with child and adult safeguarding issues, domestic abuse and key helplines e.g. ChildLine
- A hard copy of the Diocese Safeguarding Manual 'A Safer Church' which acts as our Parish Safeguarding Handbook.
- Copies of our Safeguarding policies for children, vulnerable adults and domestic violence

Responded by:

- Promoting an environment, which is welcoming and respectful and enables safeguarding concerns to be raised and responded to openly, promptly and consistently;
- Agreeing policies and procedures to:
 - deal promptly with safeguarding allegations or suspicions of abuse in accordance with the relevant policy and practice guidance and in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser;
 - Report all safeguarding concerns or allegations against church officers to the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser;
 - ensure that known offenders or others who may pose a risk to children and/or vulnerable adults are effectively managed and monitored in consultation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser;
- Complying with all data protection legislation especially in regard to storing information about the 'church workforce'. Including volunteers and any safeguarding records;
- Providing an "activity risk assessment" tool for each those involved in activities associated with either children or vulnerable adults, and run in the name of the Church.

Review and Report Progress by:

- Inviting the PSO to regularly report on safeguarding in the parish. Safeguarding has been added as a standing agenda item at each PCC meeting.
- Reporting to the APCM in an annual report in relation to safeguarding. In the PCC's annual report will be a statement which reports on progress and a statement as to whether or not the PCC has complied with the duty to have "due regard" to the House of Bishops' guidance in relation to safeguarding.
- Using the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard to identify next steps for the action plan.

Supported the Hiring of Church Premises by:

- Developing and updating its agreement with any person/body wishing to hire church premises stating whereby the person/body hiring the premises agrees:
 - to comply with the relevant safeguarding guidance issued by the House of Bishops and the diocese.
 - to ensure that children and vulnerable adults are protected at all times, relevant staff have had appropriate DBS checks and that all reasonable steps have been taken to prevent injury, illness, loss or damage occurring.
- Ensuring that all those hiring church premises carry full public liability insurance for this, or are covered through the church insurance (for example hire for a children's party).

Support & Compliance:

The measures identified in the list above are checked during parish visitations and as to date no actions are outstanding.

Extra Safeguarding Measures during 2023/24

Poverty: Our Church has continued to support children and families identified through the community with food supplies at this time. All guidance and policies have been followed in order to do this.

Abuse and Harm: Any risks identified have been shared and followed up.

Children/adults with additional needs: Where this has been identified, all safeguarding procedures have been followed and social services, the police and the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor have been involved with timely responses to safeguard an individual.

Where appropriate additional risk assessments have been carried out following clear guidance from external agencies.

Rebecca Eames, Parish Safeguarding Officer

4 Financial Review

See separate Statement

Scott Hill, Treasurer

5 Reserves policy

It was proposed that the PCC try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds that equates to at least three months' unrestricted payments, to be held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.

6 Plans for future periods

Vision and Mission Statement

Revd. Andrew Goodman started working with the congregation in Autumn 2023 by holding a number of prayer evenings to develop a new Vision, from which with the help of a small team, we will develop our Mission Action Plan. This will include reviewing:

1. Our Welcome both physically in the building and in our Services and activities
2. Our Mission to promote the Gospel for the benefit of the community and overseas.

A particular focus continues to address the lack of attendance by Children and Families and the ageing congregation. We have successfully developed a selection of 100 Songs and Hymns in our Worship, mostly chosen by the congregation, to help make our services more welcoming to newcomers from the parish community.

7 Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a charity for the purposes of the Charities Act 2011, exempted by order from registering with the Charity Commission.

The PCC is the executive committee of the parish and consists of clergy and churchwardens, together with representatives of the laity. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All who attend church are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC is responsible for promoting the mission of the church, its financial affairs, and maintaining the building and contents. All members of the PCC are Trustees of the church which is a registered charity. Meetings are held regularly, usually every 2 months.

The Standing Committee is a sub-committee of the PCC who meet between PCC meetings. They consist of the Incumbent, churchwardens, PCC Secretary and Treasurer. They are able to carry out the business of the PCC between PCC meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC. The PCC

delegates Committees and Volunteers to carry out its work, who report to the PCC; Worship Committee, Music Committee, Finance Committee to be appointed, Children and Families Committee, (Family Service, Christening Team, Teas and Tots), Safeguarding Officer, Social Committee, Communications Officer, Sidespeople etc.

Recruitment, induction and training of PCC members: the members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Parochial Church Council Powers Measures or co-opted through the course of the year. The appointment of PCC Members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules. PCC Members are provided with assistance in their roles by their fellow committee members for support. There are also two members of the PCC who have been elected as representatives of the Deanery Synod.

All the members of the PCC are DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checked and complete online Safeguarding Training as required by the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer, with the support and guidance of the PCC Safeguarding Officer.

Training in compliance with health and safety, disability discrimination legislation, child protection, and other matters affecting the parish is undertaken by means of courses arranged by the diocese or deanery that are attended by a PCC representative who reports back to the PCC as a body, and the dissemination of reading matter.

During the period January 2023 to December 2023 the PCC has met 6 times with an average of 95% attendance, and the Standing Committee met 3 times (there were 3 members); with 100% attendance.

8 Administrative information

Name and Church Dedication of the PCC: Parochial Church Council of St Mary the Virgin Marston Moreteyne with Lidlington, within the Diocese of St Albans, Church of England.

Church and PCC Correspondence Address: St Mary the Virgin Church, The Green, Marston Moretaine, Bedford MK43 0NF

HMRC Charity Registration: Number 632341.

Membership:

Rev. Andrew Goodman was licensed as Priest in Charge on the 28th March 2022.

Chair and Priest-in-Charge	Rev. Andrew Goodman
Churchwarden & Vice Chair	Stephen Murphy
Representatives on Deanery Synod	Rev. Andrew Goodman and Juliet Taylor

Elected Members

Treasurer	Vacancy (Payments Officer Scott Hill)
Secretary	Pamela Turner
Safeguarding Officer	Rebecca Eames
Electoral Roll Officer	Stephen Murphy
School Governors	Juliet Taylor
Communications	Marti Mann
Children & Families	Rebecca Eames
Social Committee	Sonia Nockels
	Elaine Murphy (co-opted)

The day to day management of the church is undertaken by The Revd. Canon Andrew Goodman, the Churchwardens and PCC, and a number of volunteers.

The Independent Examiner for the church accounting procedures is: Richard Williams, 4 Campion Court, Marston Moreteyne, Bedfordshire MK43 1GW

Bank: Santander Bank, High Street, Bedford.