

ECCLESIASTICAL ASSEMBLY
Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Special Committee named on 16th May 2019 to examine the Accounts of the Churchwardens for the financial year 2019 – 2020 was held at Trinity Parish Hall on Thursday 27th May 2021 at 7.00 pm under the chairmanship of the Rector, Reverend G Houghton.

Members of the Special Committee entitled to be present –

P B Le Sueur – Connétable

P R Williams & J H Moulin – Procureurs

Deputy C H Raymond

Miss A Le Brun and Mrs J Dawson – Churchwardens

Mrs A Howell and A Paine – Almoners

S W Gallichan, J Howell, O Simmonds and D Owen – Centeniers

C Chaplin, Mrs R Misson, Mrs M Pittom & Mrs J Powell - Adjoints

The Rector welcomed the Committee and opened the meeting with prayers.

Apologies were received from the Connétable, the Procureurs, Centenier J Howell, Constable's Officer C Bray, & Mr C Chaplin.

The Minutes of the previous Ecclesiastical Committee Meeting were read and adopted on the proposition of Deputy C H Raymond and seconded by Mrs J Powell.

It was noted that there had been no Committee meeting during the course of 2020, because of the Covid pandemic, and consequently there were two years of Accounts to review.

The above Committee proceeded to examine the Accounts of the Churchwardens for the financial years 2019 – 2020, and 2020 – 2021, and after verifying the said Accounts, the position is as follows:

1. The Accounts of the Charité showed a credit balance of Twelve thousand five hundred and forty two pounds and eighty pence (£12,542.80) as at 30th April 2020, and shows a credit balance of Thirteen thousand one hundred and fifty seven pounds eighty pence (£13,157.80) as at 30th April 2021.
2. The Accounts of the Extraordinaire showed a credit balance of Three thousand seven hundred and eleven pounds and ninety-seven pence (£3,711.97) as at 30th April 2020, and shows a credit balance of Three thousand nine hundred and eleven pounds and ninety-seven pence (£3,911.97) as at 30th April 2021.
3. The Accounts of the Le Don de Dlle Chevalier shows a credit balance of Four hundred and forty-five pounds and ninety-five pence (£445.95) as at 30th April 2020, and shows an identical credit balance as at 30th April 2021.

There was some discussion about the difficulty faced by the Church in distributing its charitable funds within the confines of the Parish, as required. Members of the Committee were encouraged to identify and refer cases where assistance might be appropriate to the Rector in the first instance, as the Church is keen to apply the funds where possible. There was also some discussion about the difficulty caused by certain banks regarding the holding of funds for charitable purposes by Churches, with those banks insisting on the closure of many of these accounts. Deputy Raymond asked if the Church had experienced this, and Miss Le Brun explained that this was why a majority of the Charité, Extraordinaire and Le Don Chevalier funds were now held in the Churchwardens' bank account, but assured the Committee that those funds were ring-fenced.

On the proposition of Mr A Paine, seconded by Centenier O Simmonds, the Accounts of the Charité, the Extrordinaire and Le Don de Dlle Chevalier were approved.

4. The Accounts of the Trésor showed a credit balance of Four thousand nine hundred and twenty seven pounds and fourteen pence (£4,927.14) as at 30th April 2020, and shows a credit balance of Three thousand and fifty one pounds sixty one pence (£3,051.61) as at 30th April 2021.

On the proposition of Mr A Paine, seconded by Mrs A Howell, the Trésor Accounts were approved.

On the proposition of Mrs R Misson, seconded by Mrs M Pittom, it was agreed that all of the Accounts were to be recommended for adopting at a future Ecclesiastical Assembly.

The Rector thanked Miss A Le Brun and Mrs J Dawson for the preparation of the Accounts and also the Connétable and the Procureurs for their assistance throughout the year.

Signed 26th May 2022

G Houghton, Rector

P Le Sueur, Connétable

P Williams and J Moulin, Procureurs du Bien Public

A Paine and M Powell Almoners

M Pittom, R Misson, J Powell and C Chaplin, Adjoints

H Raymond, Deputy