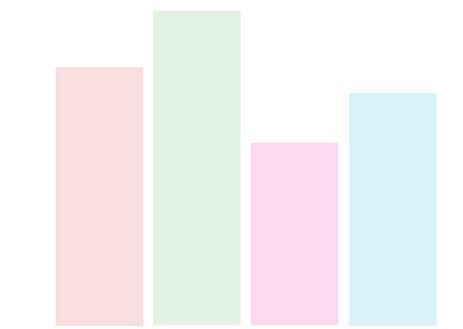


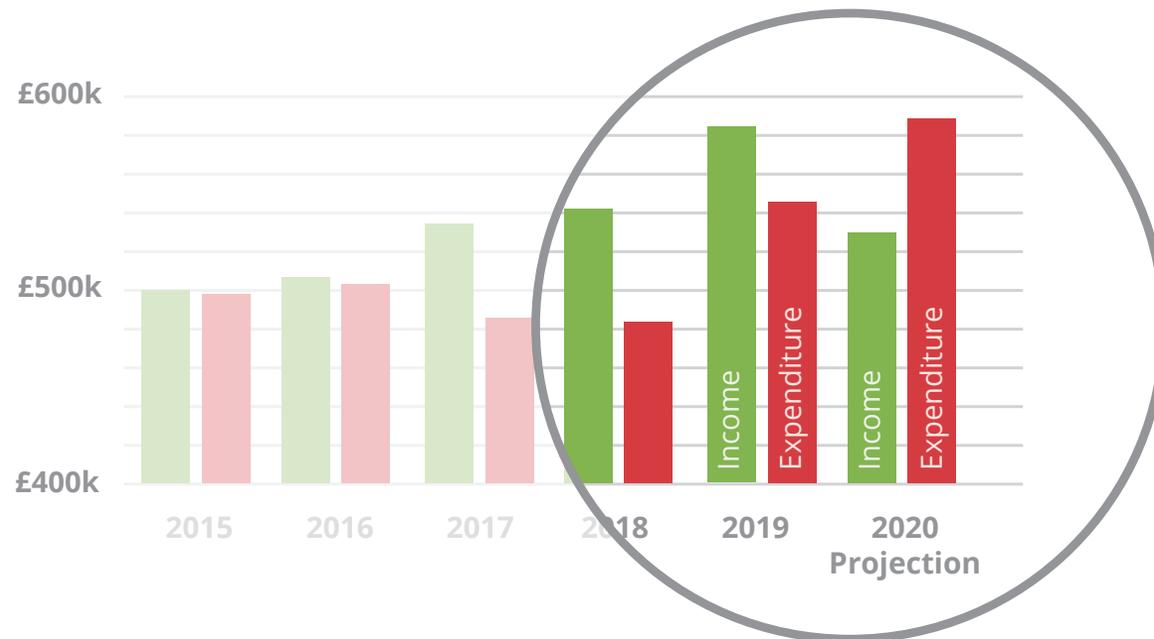


For a more in-depth and detailed version of this information click [HERE](#).

# STEWARDSHIP 2021



# 1 LOOKING BACK



**In 2019 we carried forward a financial surplus to meet a planned shortfall of £51k in 2020.** This shortfall was expected due to a planned increase in 'people' costs.

In 2019 we only asked for an inflationary increase in giving for 2020. At that time we said that if the church's planned activities and costs were to continue into 2021 there would be a need for a larger increase in giving in 2021.

## 2 ISSUES IN 2020



**Extraordinary events in 2020 have led to continual review of the budget.**

-  The closure of the church building in lockdown led, in part, to a reduction in income of around £50k.
-  The number of people giving to the church has been decreasing, and exacerbated during lockdown.
-  There have been some cost savings due to a reduction in church activities.
-  Online giving has, thus far, largely been maintained.
-  We have been blessed with a forecast increase in the legacy fund of around £100k.

Due to careful management, in 2020 we remain fairly close to the original budgetted shortfall of £51k.  
**However, unless action is taken there will be a recurring annual shortfall which cannot be sustained.**

# 3 LOOKING FORWARD



**The PCC has reviewed priorities for expenditure which for 2021 are as follows:**



Where possible, to concentrate resources on the roles that are 'people focussed': mission partners, church staff and the clergy.



The roof of the Tiger building needs to be replaced very soon, therefore it is important to keep supporting the Fabric Fund close to its current level.



There is a desire to support financially the plans of the new vicar so that they are able to continue with the overall vision and mission of the church in the manner in which they desire.

# 4 THREE-YEAR VIEW



The PCC has discussed and endorsed a three-year view of the budget, which sets out a road map to bring regular income broadly back in line with recurring expenditure. This anticipates:

**Increases** in giving in each year of 8%, 5% and 5% for the years 2021, 2022 and 2023 respectively

A **reduction in costs by** 5% in 2021 when compared to the original 2020 budget of £632k.

A **moderate increase in costs** in 2022 and 2023 to support the expansion of church activities

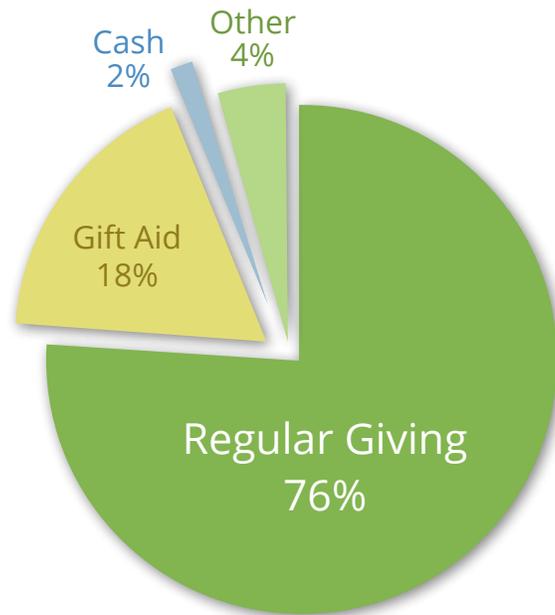
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Income	£585k	£532k	£565k	£593k	£623k
Expenditure	£549k	£590k	£600k	£613k	£625k
<b>Total</b>	<b>+ £36k</b>	<b>- £58k</b>	<b>- £35k</b>	<b>- £20k</b>	<b>- £2k</b>

# 5 2021 BUDGET



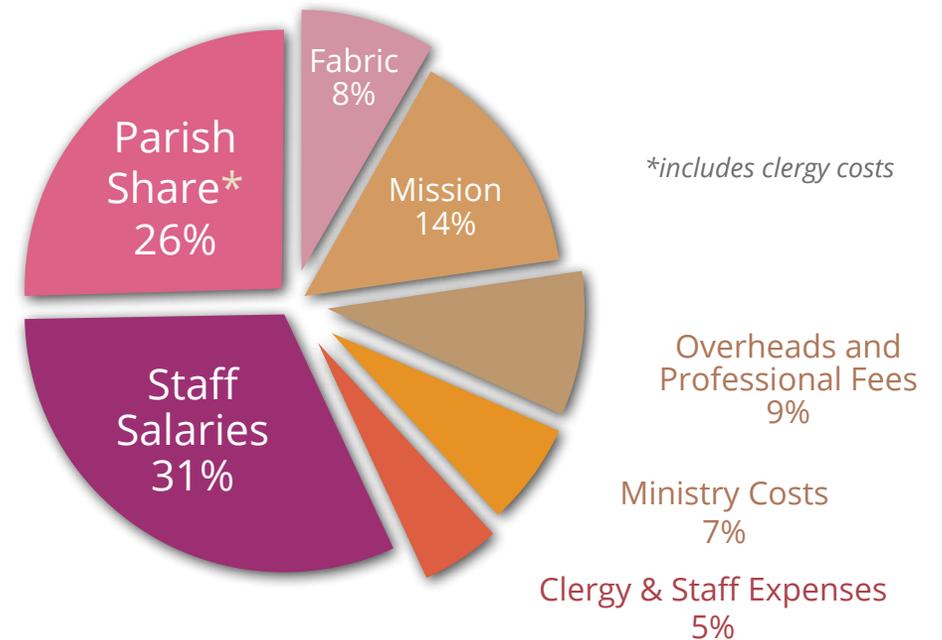
A detailed look at the 2021 budget shows what is required for the coming year.

Due to the impact of the church closure, forecasts for church income and expenditure in 2020 are less relevant when looking at a comparison for the 2021 budget. See the detail report (link on title page) for explanation of expenditure items.



An income budget has been set at **£565,000**

An expenditure budget has been set at **£600,000**



# OUR RESPONSE

**A significant financial challenge lies before us.**



An increase in regular giving of 8% in 2021, and potentially a further 5% in both 2022 and 2023. In light of all that God has generously given to us as a church family, we are asked to generously respond in faith to this challenge as a church family.



The PCC fully recognises that in these exceptional times such a request may be too much for some church members; others will have more money to give than they had previously thought.

# OUR RESPONSE



In 2021, we would love to achieve three significant things in our giving as a church family:

**1. Increase regular giving by 8%**

Alternatively, you may be able to make a one-off contribution, or prefer to delay any increase in your giving until there is more certainty over your personal circumstances.

**2. Increase the number of people giving**

If you have made All Saints your spiritual home in recent months, but have not yet started regular financial giving, please would you consider doing so.

**3. Increase online income**

Cash donations will be further constrained by continued restrictions on numbers permitted to services of worship, so if you can move to online giving that would be a huge help.

# STEP 1 MAKE A PLEDGE



At this time of Stewardship, we invite everyone to make a pledge before God as to how they will give financially to support the mission and ministry of All Saints in the coming year. Every gift – small or large, regular or one-off – is greatly appreciated and will be stewarded wisely.

**You can make your pledge either online or on paper:**

## PLEDGE ONLINE

Click on this box to open the **Promise of Planned Giving form**.

Complete the form, and the Standing Order Authority form and/or the Gift Aid Declaration if required

**Ensure you press 'Submit' at the bottom of the form**

## PLEDGE ON PAPER

Print off and complete the **Promise of Planned Giving Form**

In addition, you may need to print off and complete the **Standing Order Authority Form** and/or the **Gift Aid Declaration**

Place your completed form(s) in an envelope marked 'Stewardship 2021' and put them through the letterbox in the front of the Tiger, or post to

**All Saints Church Office, 122 High Street, Lindfield, RH16 2HS**

## NOVEMBER 29

DEDICATION SUNDAY

**You can make your pledge either online or using paper forms, and it would be a great help to do this before Dedication Sunday**

# STEP 2 DEDICATE YOUR PLEDGE



In previous years, we have brought our completed paper forms to church on Dedication Sunday to place in a large bowl at the front of church during the services. This has been a moving expression of unity for many of us, and we are sad that the lockdown means this cannot happen this year.

However, as the church building remains open for private prayer, we are inviting people to visit the church as individuals, couples, families, or support bubbles to pray for the coming year, and to place a Prayer Card in the large bowl on the communion table in the South Chapel.

The bowl will be in place from **Monday 23rd until Saturday 28th November**, and the church will be open until from 9am-9pm each day of that week.

Prayer Cards will be provided by the bowl; you do not need to bring anything with you.



# STEP 3 WAYS TO GIVE



Three of the most usual ways to give are:

## ONLINE PAYMENT VIA YOUR BANK

The most efficient method is for you to set up (or update) your regular giving with your bank yourself.

## STANDING ORDER

Please complete the Standing Order Authority form. One of our Stewardship Recorders will liaise with the bank to ensure that it is correctly set up.

## CHURCH WEBSITE

Head to the giving page on the All Saints Church website

*\*incurs a small processing fee*



## LEGACY BOOKLET

### LEGACY GIVING

Last year, Nick Hawes was appointed as our Legacy Officer, and he has been working on a revised and updated booklet about Leaving a Legacy to All Saints. This can be accessed at the link opposite, or if you prefer a paper copy, please contact the church office.

# STEP 3 WAYS TO GIVE



**You can also give by the following methods:**

## **Contactless card reader**

Kept at the back of the church under the tower,  
good for one-off giving. *Incurs a small processing fee for the church*

## **CAF/Stewardship Services vouchers**

## **Cheque**

These should be made payable to 'Lindfield PCC',  
and sent to the Church Office in a sealed envelope  
marked for the attention of the Stewardship Recorders.

## **Blue envelopes**

We are continuing with these, but due to the difficulties  
in attending church on a regular basis due to COVID-19  
restrictions, you may find it easier to use a different method.

## **Cash**

When services take place in church, cash can be placed  
in the collection bowl at the back.

# THANK YOU

The Bible tells that God is abundant in his generosity:

*“He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, freely give us all things?”*

Romans 8:32

There is much uncertainty surrounding the future, but we have set out how, with God’s help, we will retain our focus on making disciples of Jesus.

Thank you for taking the time to reading this material as you prayerfully consider your giving for 2021.

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