Treasurer's Report for Annual General Meeting 2018



I am pleased to report that the financial accounts for 2017 have been prepared and presented to the PCC in March 2018

2017 has seen a further reduction in the level of planned and regular giving. The main reason for the decrease is loss of regular givers. This also has an impact on the amount we receive from HMRC through Gift Aid. The less we receive, the less tax we can claim back and as a result our Gift Aid continues to decrease.

The efforts of the church in fundraising should be noted and thanks expressed for the amount of time and work given to supporting the work of the church and parish. However the amount raised in 2017 also continues to fall in comparison to previous years.

As a result of our declining income, the PCC agreed to distribute a letter to members of the congregation inviting everyone to consider a small increase in their giving in an attempt to reduce or remove any deficits that currently exist in regard to expenditure being greater then income. Currently we are relying on reserves to make up any shortfall but this cannot be any more than a short term solution to a long standing problem.

I am grateful to all who have been able to provide support in the various ways, especially to the counting and banking of money throughout the year.

David Dorman-Smith

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