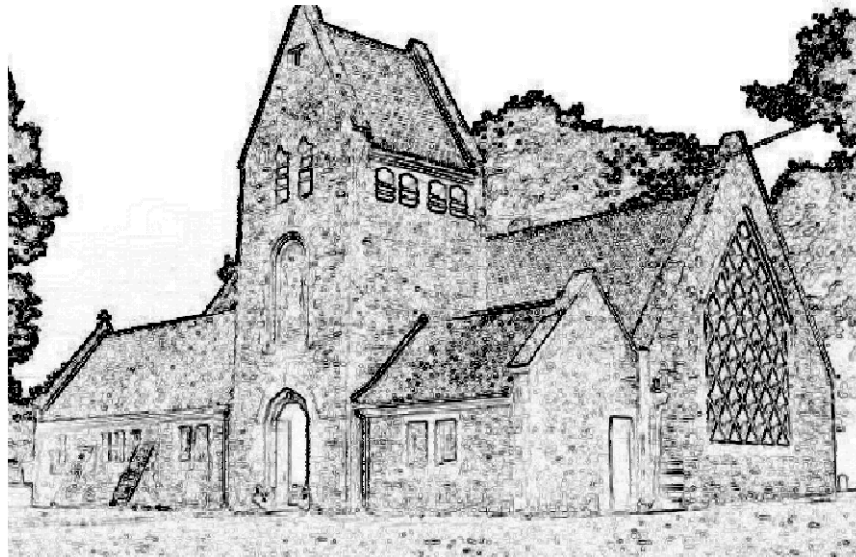




St Mary's Church, Kempley (ca 1120)



St Edward the Confessor, Kempley (1903)

**The Friends of Kempley Churches
Registered Charity No 1108735**

**Annual Report and Accounts
Year ended 31 December 2016**

Trustees' Report

Administrative information

The Charity is located in the Parish of Kempley. The correspondence address is c/o Daubies Farm, Upton Bishop, Herefordshire HR9 7UR

The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission (Charity No. 1108735).

Trustees who have served from February 2016 until the date this report was approved are:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Post</i>	<i>Dates if part year:</i>
Professor Basil Jarvis	Chairman	
Mrs Marjorie J Jarvis	Treasurer/Secretary	
Mr D Howell Rees	Vice Chairman	
Mr Richard Beard		
Mr David Clowes		
Mrs Ann Franklin		<i>From May 2016</i>
The Rev'd Canon Richard Franklin		<i>From May 2016</i>
Mr Anthony Hawker-Bond		
Ms Jennifer Hindle, JP		<i>To October 2016</i>
The Rev'd Tony Lomas		<i>To June 2016</i>

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of Trustees is set out in the Constitution of the Charity. All members of The Friends are encouraged to stand for election as Trustees

Objectives and Activities

The Friends has the responsibility of co-operating with English Heritage in respect of the management of the 12C church of St Mary, Kempley and with the PCC of St Edward's Church, Kempley, in promoting activities in support of the churches and with other local organisations (e.g. The Kempley Village Hall Trust) in researching the social and religious history of Kempley, its churches and the parish. It has no direct maintenance responsibilities for the Churches or their associated property.

Achievements and Performance

Review of the year

- The Trustees met on five occasions during the year to discuss business relevant to the activities of the charity.
- Trustees met formally with representatives of English Heritage to discuss matters relating to maintenance and use of St Mary's Church. Important amongst these was agreement to clean and renovate the Victorian storeroom at St Mary's church in order to develop a small Visitor Centre at the

church. Work on the concept is continuing and we hope to have the centre open for the 2017 Kempley Daffodil Weekend.

- Trustees organised a number of fund raising events over the year, including a celebration dinner to mark HM The Queen's 90th Birthday and a Christmas Concert presented by the Abertillery Orpheus Male Choir.
- Communal carol singing in the Village Hall raised funds for the Midland Air Ambulance.
- The Friends also worked with the PCC to cater for the annual Harvest Lunch and with the Kempley Daffodil Weekend group to organise the annual small Lottery and to sell maps and other artefacts to the visitors.
- The Trustees provided talks on the social and religious history of Kempley and its churches to visiting tour groups for several of which lunch or other refreshments were provided. These groups included both commercial tour parties with specific objectives and also groups from numerous U3A, Probus, WI and other organisations.
- The visitor's Book for St Mary's church recorded visitors in excess of 1700 over the year and that of St Edward's recorded some 400 visitors. From these figures we estimate a visitor level well over 3,000 during the year.
- During the summer months, the Friends collaborated with Kempley PCC and the Leadon Vale Benefice Ministry team to provide four services of Evensong in the 12C church of St Mary. As always, these services were well attended both by locals and by visitors from far afield.
- Apart from the annual internal and external window cleaning at both churches, the Trustees funded the provision of new bell pulls for St Edward's church and also purchased a new external Notice Board on the roadside adjacent to the church Lych Gate. The new board has glazed sections for notices about the Church and the Friends activities and an open section for information on other village activities
- We were sorry to lose the Rev'd Tony Lomas as a Trustee following his appointment to a new position overseas and also the resignation of Ms J Hindle JP after several years service. We were, however, very pleased to welcome the Rev'd Canon Richard Franklin and Mrs Ann Franklin as Trustees.

Additional Comments by the Chairman

The Trustees acknowledge the work of the many people who have supported and assisted our activities to raise funds for the churches and especially of Kate and Will Blandford as the English Heritage Key Holder for St Mary's Church. We are also grateful to John Harper who acted as the independent financial examiner.

Financial Review

Total receipts were £5,118 and total expenditure in the year was £5,317. The net result for the year was an excess of expenditure over receipts of £198. The Financial Statement shows that we spent some £3894 on charitable activities and that fund-raising costs amounted to £702. Other expenditure was concerned with the costs of printing (booklets, concert programmes, etc) and administration (£181).

Compared with previous years both our income and expenditure were somewhat reduced, partly as a result of a decision to reduce the number of fund raising events in order not to compete with the Kempley Village Hall Trust that is seeking actively to raise funds to improve and extend the Village Hall for the benefit of everyone.

Reserves policy

It is Trustees' policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, which equates to six months' unrestricted payments, to cover urgent situations that may arise from time to time. It has been our strategy to invest our funds balances in an interest-paying deposit account but this is currently under review following the significant reduction in interest rates paid by the bank in recent years.

Approved by the Trustees on 9 January 2017 and signed on their behalf by the chairman



Prof B Jarvis, Chairman

Independent Examiner's Report

for the year ended 31 December 2016

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of the Friends of Kempley Churches

This report on the financial statements of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2016, which comprise the statement of Receipts and Payments and the Balance Sheet, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with s.43 of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act").

This report is made solely to the Trustees in accordance with section 43 of the Charities Act 1993. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Trustees for my examination work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the examiner

As Trustees of the Friends of Kempley Churches you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply.

It is my responsibility:

- To examine the financial statements (under section 43(3)(a) of the 1993 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 43(7)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by "The Friends" and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes a consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

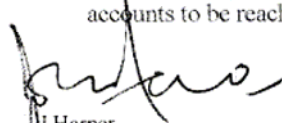
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - To keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and
 - To prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act and the Regulations

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



J Harper
Old Pond House
Kempley Green,
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February 2017

Friends of Kempley Churches
Statement of Accounts for 2016

Income and Expenditure Account		Note	2016	2015
Income	St Mary's Wallbox	1	£1,668.97	£1,696.12
	Membership Subscriptions		£215.00	£190.00
	Events	2	£3,032.23	£4,055.75
	Donations		£200.90	£260.00
	Bank Interest		£1.42	£1.42
	Total Income		<u>£5,118.52</u>	<u>£6,203.29</u>
Expenditure	Insurance for St Mary's		£141.38	£131.73
	Exhibition & Event Costs	2	£702.23	£911.96
	Social History Project (Kempley Tardis)		£275.00	£275.00
	Projects and other Charitable activities	3,4,5	£3,619.05	£1,235.90
	Printing of Booklets, Postcards, Programmes, etc		£538.80	£877.10
	Lottery & Bar Licences		£20.00	£20.00
	Miscellaneous Expenditure		£20.16	£87.68
	Total Expenditure		<u>£5,316.62</u>	<u>£3,539.37</u>
	Surplus(Deficit) of Income over Expenditure		<u>-£198.10</u>	<u>£2,663.92</u>

Notes to the accounts

1. St Mary's Wallbox income includes sale value of Guide Books, Post Cards, Maps etc
2. Concerts, Visiting Group Lunches, Teas & Talks, etc
3. Window cleaning at St Mary's; cleaning at St Edward's; chairs for St Edward's
4. Donations to to Kempley Village Car Parking and Defibrillator Appeals (2015)
5. Purchase of Bell Ropes, Notice Board, work on St Mary's Visitor Centre (2016)

Balance Sheet

	2016	2015
Opening Balance b/f at 1 January	£7,969.89	£5,305.97
Surplus (Deficit) for Year	-£198.10	£2,663.92
Balance at 31 December	<u>£7,771.79</u>	<u>£7,969.89</u>
Deposit Account (31 Dec)	£2,815.64	£2,814.22
Current Account (31 Dec)	£4,956.15	£5,155.67
Balance at 31 December	<u>£7,771.79</u>	<u>£7,969.89</u>

Apportioned Funds

General Account	£7,147.81	£6,923.01
On behalf of St Edward's Church	£0.00	£0.00
On behalf of St Mary's Church	£154.94	£302.84
Social History Project	£469.04	£744.04
	<u>£7,771.79</u>	<u>£7,969.89</u>

I certify that these accounts provide a true reflection of the current financial status and activities of the Friends of Kempley Churches

Marjorie J Jarvis
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Honorary Treasurer