

CHALE CHURCHYARD COMMITTEE

REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 2023

I would firstly like to welcome the Rev. Rob Marsh, our new Priest-in-Charge, and who is an ex officio member of this Committee. I look forward to working with him in the coming years.

I have kept members up-to-date this year through written Newsletters rather than meetings and my thanks go to everyone for their involvement. You will see from the attached accounts that we are in a sound financial position in spite of rising costs, providing we continue to receive donations and grants as in this past year. In spite of difficult weather the churchyard is looking as good as we can expect thanks to the excellent work by Dave Holmes, our Groundsman, to whom we extend our thanks.

I feel we have sufficient funds available and we do not need to embark on more fundraising events at the present time. However, if anyone wishes to arrange an event, please let me know.

I wish to thank you all for your invaluable help and support, and in particular to Lynette Atkinson for her support with grave site allocation, and agreeing to take on this role should I receive an invitation to move into the churchyard at short notice! We receive many glowing comments from visitors to the church from people from all over the world.

Derek Sprake

Chairman & Treasurer

December 2023