



# Stroat Church

*bringing hope, living in grace*

## Annual Report 2017/18

Registered Charity Number 1166377

2017-18 Has been an interesting year at Stroat Church, Easter 2017 we said goodbye to Pastor Chris & Hosoon Rees, who moved to Westminster. The leadership team has since spent a lot of time prayerfully considering how we appointment a replacement.

In January 2018 we asked you the Church, what you wanted from a new Pastor, and we were so pleased with all the responses that came back, as I write this we are just planning on putting an advert in the Christian press, so we wait to see who God has planned for the next chapter at Stroat.

As Trustees we were joined by Anne Bidle & Joy Wright, together they with Jen Van loon, Richard Naylor and David Price, make up the Trustees. We oversee the legal aspects of the site and organisation.

James Townsend has been busy doing many of the endless list of minor repairs

and maintenance issues that needed to be done, he has also now completed the upstairs flat.

We have also completed some major work projects, like replacing doors and windows, and replacing the ridge tiles of the main hall.

The recent work days have transformed one of the manse bedrooms, which is going to be turned into a Prayer Room. Our next major works to be carried out is to replace the kitchen and bathroom in the manse. We are looking at partitioning the kitchen, and having a new family bathroom, a new fitted kitchen, and turning the old bathroom into a cloak/shower room. It is estimated that this work will cost £8000

We also need to look at replacing the roof on the annex as when it rains this has started to leak. Which I suppose if you consider that it has been there for

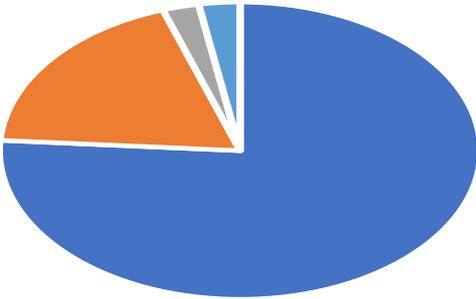
over 40 years, for flat roofs we can't complain.

Income for the Church this financial year was £27,451.15, an increase of over £4000 on last year. Our total outgoings were £24714.41, an increase of £5147. Leaving us with a surplus of £2736. WOW doesn't that show that our God is always GOOD to us. Major costs for us

this year have been the ongoing increased amounts of maintenance, with James carrying out lots of repairs and the conversion of the flat, and the replacement of the doors and windows. We would like to get the manse liveable as soon as possible so it is presentable to a new pastor if they decide they wish to live there. Thank you all so much for your continued support, and for all that each of YOU bring to life at Stroath Church.

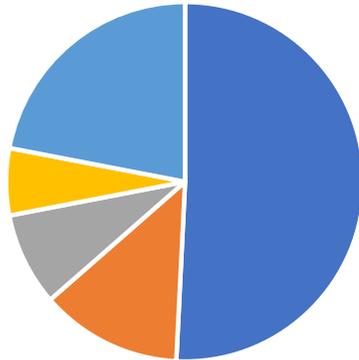
David Price (Treasurer)

## Income



- Offering / Donations
- Gift Aid Refunds
- Toddlers
- Other Income

## Expenses



- Maintenance
- Utilities
- Mission Giving
- Ministry Costs
- Other

## INCOME

	2016/17	2018
Offering / Donations	19722	20895
Gift Aid Refund	3187	5130
Toddlers	370	670
Other Income	155	756
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23434</b>	<b>27451</b>

## EXPENSES

	2016/17	2018
<b>Ministry Costs</b>		
Children & Youth	265	261
Discipleship	185	
Pastoral	120	292
Worship		391
Outreach	93	135
Facilities	73	190
Technical	54	220
Finance	49	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>1489</b>
<b>Missionary Giving</b>		
Gilead	620	500
Papy Daniel	620	500
CWI	620	500
Whettams	620	500
Other		75
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2612</b>	<b>2075</b>
<b>Other Costs</b>		
Maintenance	1346	12551
Insurance		1111
Salary	14265	1564
Cleaning	600	1043
Utilities	832	3164
Visiting Speakers	0	860
Other Costs	891	856
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18728</b>	<b>21149</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>22179</b>	<b>24714</b>

If you wish to donate to Stroat Church then its easy

Cash or Cheques can be deposited in the offering box at the back of Church, or to donate via Standing Order please speak to the Treasurer for a Standing order form.

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