Archbishops’ Council 2022 budget

GS 2213

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1. The impact of Covid

House of Bishops Statement on Government COVID-19 guidance

The House of Bishops has welcomed and commended the decision of the Government to open places of worship for public worship from 4 July, at a virtual meeting held on June 24th.

24/06/2020

News & Stories

Church of England takes Sunday worship into people’s homes in response to coronavirus

The Church of England is preparing to take the church into people’s homes – through TV screens, laptops, computers and mobile phones – ahead of the first Sunday without public worship.
2020 parish share performance

parish share receipts 7% lower than 2019

Total received £315m (67% of dioceses’ incomes)
2020 parish share: Covid impact
2020: hard choices required

• Reduction in planned expenditure:
  ➢ Property: -12%
  ➢ Diocesan office: 7% below budget

• Furlough scheme used:
  ➢ 90 curates from 10 dioceses at some point
  ➢ On average 1/3 of diocesan staff furloughed in H1 2020

• Redundancies

• Modest scaling back of clergy deployment plans
Planned new additional funding streams 2020-22

• **Strategic Transformation Funding (£44m)**
  - 2020: First main award: Sheffield £5.7m
  - Working with 20 dioceses on plans
  - £6.4m awarded to help develop strategy and transformation plans

• **Additional Ordinands Funding (2020: £2m, 2021: £4m)**

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Responsive grants 2020: diocesan sustainability funding

• £35m sustainability funding made available
  ➢ 2020: £14.9m distributed to 24 dioceses
  ➢ 2021: Remaining £20.1m available

• Cashflow support:
  ➢ LInC and transition grants: advance payment (repeated for 2021: £34m)
  ➢ Clergy stipends accounts forbearance
2. Where are we now?
Parish share: financial strains remain

At May 2021 parish share now down 10% on 2019
... alongside creative responses

- Parishes: centres of outreach & support for their communities
- 9,000+ people trained on digital
- Planned giving held up well
- Many parish giving initiatives underway
- Giving will remain key to parish and diocesan finances
Multi-year grants

- Significant disparity between award and spend: expected but exacerbated by the pandemic

- Similar pattern for:
  - Strategic Transformation Funding
  - Strategic Ministry Funding

Ordinands & Curates

- 2016-2021: new ordinands around the level needed to keep stipendiary clergy numbers broadly stable
- Modest scaling back of clergy deployment plans expected in next few years
- Plans will be reviewed in the light of the Vision and Strategy and its bold outcomes
3. Looking ahead
Emerging Church of England

• **Vision and Strategy:** will underpin future spending plans and decisions

• **Governance:** report expected autumn 2021

• **Transforming Effectiveness:**
  - Savings for the Church
  - Improve effectiveness
  - Progress to feed into future budgets and spending plans
Wider financial picture unclear

- April 2020: GDP 25% below end 2019
- April 2021: GDP 4% below end 2019
- April 2021 GDP 27.6% more than April 2020: back to Nov 2016 level
Diocesan and Parish Finance

• Parish share: ongoing monthly monitoring
• Engagement with dioceses: ongoing
• Parish finances:
  ➢ Impact of the pandemic to emerge
  ➢ £266m added to parish reserves in 2010-19 will help
• Gratitude:
  ➢ for giving and wider commitment of those in worshipping communities
  ➢ for those providing useful data to inform decision making
Giving Strategy

Priority 1: Giving Advisor Fund

- £3m grants re additional giving advisors (23 dioceses)

Priority 2: digital giving

- £2m+ annualised online donations for 2,300 churches through GiveALittle
- Pilots:
  - Contactless giving: Carlisle & Southwark
  - Online will writing: Manchester and Winchester
- Funded online platform for Parish Giving Scheme:
Priority 3: guidance and advice

• Giving & generosity webinars delivered to 1,000+ churches

• Anglican Giving Survey completed - findings widely shared

• Clergy training: 12 dioceses

• New giving and generosity materials:
  • New web guidance on ‘building a generous church’
4. 2022 Archbishops’ Council Budget
2022 Budget headlines

• Additional investment in several priority areas:
  ➢ Safeguarding (including IICSA response, independence, redress scheme setup)
  ➢ Racial Justice Unit (response to From Lament to Action)
  ➢ Freedom of Religion & Belief and Addressing Modern Slavery (externally funded)

• Funding:
  ➢ Diocesan apportionment: frozen at the 2021 level (1.6% below 2019/20 level)
  ➢ Church Commissioners
  ➢ Third party funding

• The Council is grateful to all its funders for their support
2022 Budget headlines

- Recognising uncertainties we wish to update Synod in November including:
  - Savings from Transforming Effectiveness phase 1
  - Associated investment
  - Any additional investment requested of the Council (e.g. para 6 of GS 2213)
2022 Diocesan Apportionment

- Training for Ministry: £14.8m
- National Church Responsibilities: £10.2m
- Grants: £1.2m
- Mission Agency Pensions: £0.6m
- Clergy Retirement Housing: £5.6m

Total Apportionment: £32.5m (same as 2021)

Budgeted expenditure: £52.0m (2.9% more than 2021)

Additional investment in safeguarding and Racial Justice Unit possible through extra Church Commissioner funding and use of Council reserves (£2.4m: £0.4m, 21%, more than 2021).
14. Take note of GS 2213

15. Approve Archbishops’ Council expected expenditure:
   i. Training for Ministry  £17.4m
   ii. National Church Responsibilities  £27.1m
   iii. Grants  £1.2m
   iv. Mission Agency Pensions  £0.7m
   v. Clergy Retirement Housing  £5.6m

16. Approve Apportionment table and Pooling Adjustment (p.11)
17. Request the Council to provide a financial update in November.