

Online Donation and Contactless Payments

Following discussion with our treasurer, it is now proposed that, subject to the agreement of the PCC, we go ahead with following (which contains some amendments to previous proposals).

1. A "Give a Little" account (arranged through Parish Buying) which will enable us to accept donations via a QR code. This code can be printed on posters, distributed on cards or sent out by email/text, and will allow people (visitors, occasional service attendees and others) to make cashless donations. They can do this by pointing their phone at the code, selecting an amount and using Apple Pay or G-Pay to authorise and pay (if they have their credit card on their phone) or by entering their credit card details. There is the opportunity to claim Gift Aid, but, for donations up to £30, this can be claimed by our treasurer without the need for further information. The transaction charge is 1.58% and there and is no standing charge.

Using our Parish Giving account for one-off donations has been considered, but this has the disadvantage that donors must provide personal details (address, telephone number etc) which makes giving more complicated. The Parish Giving transaction charge for one-off gifts is 1.5%.

2. A "Sum-Up" account which will enable us to use a card reader (plus smartphone) or a smartphone alone to accept contactless payment for event tickets, purchases at events etc. The cost per transaction is 1.69% and the card reader will cost £19.