

**ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH GLAPTHORN**  
**Minutes of Parochial Church Council Meeting held at Windy Ridge,**  
**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

<b>Present:</b>	
Stephen Webster	Sonya Moss
Sid Charlton	Tracey Kerr
Charles Wide	Lynn Buckley
Brigitte Hilton	Richard Stark
Ursula Wide	Patricia Newton

<b>1.</b>	<b>Opening Prayers.</b>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> Jema Ball, Philip Hilton, Mark Donnelly.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Minutes of the PCC meeting dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019</b> were signed as approved by Sid.	
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family Service Schedule for Glapthorn School. It was decided that a schedule for 2020 will be produced for the school, itemising the various family services during the year. The school children could be asked to design posters for each service, to be displayed in school. Ursula undertook to include the schedule in the December newsletter. It was suggested that these family services could be included on the school's FaceBook page. Stephen will take this forward and will liaise with Tracey.</li> <li>Charles reported that Glapthorn Church's privacy notice is now on the church website and the Archdeacon has been notified.</li> <li>Ursula reported that she and Richard have cleared the untidy lilac bushes at the rear of the churchyard, and they have also cleared the area around the grave. Richard complimented the mowing team on the churchyard's tidy appearance.</li> <li>Ursula reported that the Glapthorn Open Gardens event in June in aid of Cransley Hospice raised £1,600.</li> <li>Ursula has already submitted suggestions for ordinary time Holy Communion liturgy alterations to the PCC. These will be considered further.</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;">UW SW/TK</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UW</p>
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Church Matters:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Application for a Faculty for Audio Visual and Lighting:</b> Charles reported that the DAC have recommended for approval the proposals for the Audio Visual System (Hilltop, dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018) and lighting scheme (Benedict Cadbury, dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019). It was resolved <i>nem con</i> (proposed by Brigitte Hilton, seconded by Sonya Moss) that the necessary faculty application(s) be made. It is hoped that this can be dealt with by one rather than</li> </ul>	<b>CW/BH</b>

	<p>two simultaneous applications.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Building Work.</b> It was resolved <i>nem con</i> (proposed by Brigitte Hilton, seconded by Ursula Wide) to proceed with the work set out in the quotation from Clarendon Buildings (Midlands) Ltd. Dated 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (therefore shortly after the last PCC meeting). Charles will seek permission of the Archdeacon to do so.</li> <li>• <b>Planned Giving Scheme.</b> Detailed documents explaining the PGS had been circulated before the meeting. Charles summarised their effect and reported that other parishes have found that an effective way of implementing the scheme is for a number of people to sign up for it who can then convey their experience of it more widely. Stephen said he is in favour of the scheme. It was resolved <i>nem con</i> (proposed by Ursula Wide, seconded by Lynn Buckley) that St. Leonard's should register with the Parish Giving Scheme. The wardens will take this forward. A formal launch, co-ordinated with St. Peter's, was envisaged.</li> <li>• <b>Annual Heater Service.</b> Richard has received the invoice from Volcana for 2019. Charles asked Tracey (Risk Assessment) to look at the heaters. Volcana check the heaters every year, despite no contract existing. Richard will telephone the company to determine the present position.</li> <li>• <b>Support for Glapthorn School following Jema's departure.</b> Stephen reported that Sue Donnelly, wife of Mark and a trainee lay reader, now heads the Church School Task Group and she will be taking on Jema's role in Glapthorn School.</li> </ul>	<p>CW</p> <p>CW/BH SW</p> <p>RS</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p><b>Vicar's Report and Services:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 November, 10.30am, will be Jema's final service in St. Peter's, for the whole benefice. There is no service in Glapthorn. On the previous evening there will be a Barn Dance and Bring and Share supper.</li> <li>• 10 November – Remembrance service will be taken by Michael Whawell.</li> <li>• 17 November – Peter Morrell will take the service.</li> <li>• 8 December – Christingle at 5pm.</li> <li>• 15 December – Carol Service at 5pm.</li> <li>• 22 December – BCP Matins.</li> <li>• 29 December – no service in Glapthorn.</li> </ul> <p>Stephen reminded the meeting that there will only be two clergy after Jema and Barry Morrison leave so a new service pattern in the whole benefice may be needed. Glapthorn may have two Morning Prayer services and two Holy Communion services in the interim. Joint Evensong with Benefield was considered. The vacancy for Associate Vicar will be advertised after Christmas.</p>	<p>SW</p>

7.	<p><b>Treasurer's Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Richard reported that total funds stand at £34,008 which is slightly less than last year. This figure includes the Gift Aid refund which was received in June. This was a similar figure to last year's.</li> <li>A cheque has been received from a previous resident, for the upkeep of the churchyard. Ursula will email our thanks.</li> <li>Richard will forward a cheque for the proceeds of the Harvest Auction to the Tear Fund. The Harvest Lunch receipts are for the church.</li> <li>Sid reported that he has raised over £500 for the Ride and Stride event, visiting 46 churches in the one day. There are two other bikers in the village who have also raised considerable amounts.</li> </ul>	<p><b>UW</b></p> <p><b>RS</b></p>
8.	<p><b>Safeguarding.</b> Nothing to report.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Deanery Synod Report:</b> No report. The next will be on 17<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	
11.	<p><b>Social Committee Report:</b> Ursula reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sid and Pauline Davidson are organising a quiz in aid of The Tear Fund, on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 7.00 for 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 to include food. There will be a raffle in aid of the church. Sid will be the quizmaster. Brigitte suggested the church to pay any expenses for producing leaflets</li> </ul>	<p><b>BH</b></p>
12.	<p><b>Any Other Business:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steve Dickenson, a member of the congregation, has donated the proceeds of a concert he held in the village hall to the church. The Secretary has written to thank him.</li> <li>Charles announced that he will not stand for election as churchwarden next year. He will have done five years service.</li> <li>A photograph of the PCC standing in front of the church is scheduled to be taken on 20<sup>th</sup> October. This is to be included in the next Glaphorn book.</li> </ul>	

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at Crown House.**

Stephen closed the meeting with prayer.