

***Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) held on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>  
March 2019 during the service of morning worship***

**1.0 Welcome and Prayer**

Alison welcomed everyone to the service, then said a short prayer.

Hymn 467 "Tell out my soul"

**2.0 Apologies for absence**

There were 65 adults and 10 children in attendance at the meeting with apologies for absence from Jean Driver.

**3.0 Election of Churchwardens**

Pat Catterall had been proposed by Margaret McCracken and seconded by Beth Cutler as Churchwarden.

Beth Cutler had been proposed by Margaret McCracken and seconded by Gaynor Kirby as Churchwarden.

It was the unanimous will of the meeting that they be elected as only two nominations.

Alison gave huge thanks to Pat and Beth for their continued hard work and efforts over the past year.

**4.0 Minutes of the last APCM**

The minutes of the last APCM had been distributed with the Annual Reports. Susan Marsh proposed that these are accepted as a true and accurate record, this was seconded by Brian Booth and all in favour. The minutes were signed and dated.

**5.0 Matters arising**

No matters arising.

**6.0 Election of:**

**c. Deanery Synod Vacancy**

Alison explained to the congregation that a vacancy is available on the Deanery Synod and Susan Marsh had put her name forward, Alison asked the congregation if anyone else wanted to put their names forward there were no volunteers, Susan Marsh was proposed by Barbara Walton, seconded by Christine Withers and agreed unanimously. Alison thanked Susan for volunteering.

### **a. Parochial Church Council**

Alison told the congregation that 9 people including the 3 members of the Deanery Synod have been proposed and seconded in total for the PCC. Alison asked the volunteers to raise their hands and read their names out to the congregation.

The following were confirmed as Parochial Church Council members for a one year term:

Christine Withers (Deanery Synod), Stephanie Rigg (Deanery Synod), Susan Marsh (Deanery Synod), David Artingstall, Paul Davies, Keith Clayton, Jim Smith, Susan Marsh, Christopher Iwaloye & Charlotte Burrows

Alison thanked all those who had served on the PCC over the last 12 months.

Co-opted: Doreen Harthan

Clergy: Alison, Sue, Nancy.

All were in favour, no abstentions and none against.

### **b. Sides People and Duty Officers**

#### **Election of Sidespeople:**

The following were confirmed unanimously by the meeting as Sidespeople for a one year term:

Ellen Walsh, Margaret Wilson, Gaynor Kirby, Heather Davenport, Joan Whitehead, Elaine Burrows, Carole Clayton, John Sporne, Joyce Cox, Stephen Marsh & Maureen Allison.

Proposed and seconded, all were in favour, no abstentions and none against.

#### **Election of Duty Officers:**

The following were confirmed unanimously by the meeting as Duty Officers for a one year term:

Brian Booth, Jim Smith, Charlotte Burrows and Christopher Iwaloye.

Proposed and seconded, all were in favour, no abstentions and none against.

Alison thanked everyone for their valuable service and hard work over the last year,

Jim Smith read Matthew Chapter 4 versus 18-22.

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Alison delivered a brief talk about the coming year and discussed some of the big changes that had happened in the previous year.

Alison finished with a short prayer.

Hymn 560 "Will you come and follow me?"

## **7.0 Reports**

The reports were distributed at the service and were reviewed in turn. Pat thanked each individual team for their continued support and providing detailed reports for the APCM meeting.

The electoral roll was 110.

Pat noted there was no ground maintenance report and no cleaning team report but Pat gave thanks to these teams because of their commitment to keeping the grounds and church clean and tidy.

Pat thanked all the teams for their support and hard work over the past year.

Pat thanked Giovanna Roberts for her services to the mother's union as leader due to her stepping down after her fixed term.

Pat then introduced David Artingstall (Treasurer).to present the accounts.

## **8.0 Presentation of Audited Accounts**

The accounts had been circulated at the service. David explained some of the income and expenditure from the accounts.

- a. David advised that the Parish Share had been paid in full and the certificate will be put up on the church board.
- b. There was a donation from Margaret Russell for £7131 with no restrictions and the funds have been added to a designated fund.
- c. Dave explained that it was with regret that we could not meet our commitment to tithe for £3541 to our various charities, Dave explained that due to a decrease in giving was the reason the church could not tithe.
- d. Yearend balance of general fund £1055.

David explained to the congregation that after negotiations with the Diocese for the parish share the following amounts were agreed:

- 2019 - £28000
- 2020 - £30000

David asked if there were any questions to have a word with him after the meeting.

Alison thanked David for his continued efforts.

### **9.0 Appoint Independent Examiner**

Alan Bray has agreed to continue as independent examiner. Keith Clayton proposed that Mr Alan Bray continue as independent examiner, this was seconded by Jim Smith and agreed unanimously.

Alison thanked Alan for his continuous support auditing the accounts.

### **10.0 Child Protection – Parish Policy**

Alison asked Paul Davies to read the “Safe Church Policy”.

### **11.0 Any other matters**

No other matters.

Alison thanked all our church family for their support over the last year especially Pat Catterall, Beth Cutler, Paul Davies, David Artingstall, also the ministry team Doreen, Nancy, Sue.

Alison thanked our ALM team Christine, Stephanie and Beth for their support and hard work.

Alison thanked long standing members of groups for their time and efforts.

John Sporne was added to the sidespeople form.

### **12.0 Closing prayer**

Alison read out the notices and the children groups discussed their activities with the congregation.

Sue Ball lead prayers.

The final hymn was “Great is thy faithfulness”.

Alison closed with a blessing and prayers.

The service ended at 11:47 .