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MINUTES OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

DATE: 25th OCTOBER 2020

TIME: 11.45am

VENUE: MAIN CHURCH

ATTENDEES:

1. Hugh Mason: [CHAIR] 2. Linda Jenkins: [MINUTE TAKER] 3. Sue Piper 4. Fran Sherren 5. Jerry Brown 6. Phil Gower 7. Julie Gower 8. Pat Jolly 9. Bethan Fogell 10. Paul Jenkins 11. Mike Taylor 12. Gail Chipperfield 13. Oyin Alonge 14. Bob Mason 15. Mel Mason 16. Jim Jamieson 17. Julie Jamieson 18. Ken Slater 19. John Diani 20. Gorick Melikian 21. Diane Melikian 22. Ruth Warner 23. Ruth Taylor 24. Gerry Lightup 25. Denise Llewelyn 26. Geraldine Poulter 27. Elly Mulvaney 28. Louise Roulston-Smith 29. Mick Walters 30. Dinah Walters 31. Lois Earl 32. Lorna Sandland 33. Stuart Bentley 34. Michael Piper 35. Hilary Poley 36. Pat Hills 37. Andrea Grainger 38. Barbara Moore 39. Monica Peursum

	AGENDA ITEMS	SPEAKER	COMMENTS
1	Minutes from Church Wardens meeting 28.04.19	Hugh Mason(Chair) [HM]	Minutes accepted
2	Matters arising Nominations for new Church Wardens	Hugh Mason(Chair) [HM]	Two nominees: Paul Jenkins Fran Sherren
3	Presentations	Jerry Brown	Jerry Brown presented gifts
MAIN APC MEETING AGENDA			
1.	Opening prayer	Bob Mason	
2.	Apologies	Hugh Mason	
3.	Minutes of APCM 2019	Hugh Mason	
4.	Matters arising	Hugh Mason	
5.	Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Electoral rollb. Annual Reports<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fabric, goods and ornaments 2019• PCC 2019• Deanery Synod 2019• Safeguarding 2019• Children's ministry 2019• Youth work 2019• Sunday Suppers 2019• Home groups 2019• World mission 2019	Mick Walters Hugh Mason	
6.	Treasurers report 2019	Gail Chipperfield	
7.	Elections to PCC	Hugh Mason	
8.	Appointment of Independent Examiner	Hugh Mason	
9.	Vicar's Report 2019	In absentia Hugh Mason	
10.	AOB	Hugh Mason	

VESTRY MEETING	ACTIONS
1. Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies received: John Bazeley; Rosie Bazeley; Cliff Golledge; Maggie Golledge 	Apologies accepted
2. Minutes from the Vestry Meeting meeting 28th APRIL 2019 Michael Piper proposed accepting minutes as true record; Pat Jolly seconded. Minutes approved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As PCC has no secretary Hugh Mason asked Linda Jenkins to act as minute taker for this meeting 	Linda Jenkins to act as minute taker Agreed unanimously
3. Election of Churchwardens for 2020-2021 Two nominees for Church Warden received: Paul Jenkins Fran Sherren HM as Chair proposed both be accepted; Unanimously approved	Two new Church Wardens appointed: Paul Jenkins Fran Sherren
4. Presentations Jerry Brown gave thanks on behalf of the PCC to Bob Mason and Mel Mason for their tireless and devoted work and gave them a gift. Jerry also thanked Mike Taylor for his long service as Church Warden and gave him a gift. Jerry also thanked Hugh Mason for his long service to the church as Church Warden and in managing the business of the church during all the interregnums with Mike and at this current time. He presented Hugh with a gift.	
ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING	
1. Opening prayer Bob Mason opened in prayer	
2. Apologies John Bazeley; Rosie Bazeley; Cliff Golledge; Maggie Golledge	Apologies accepted
3. Minutes 28/04/10 APCM Minutes approved	Hugh Mason signed APCM 2019 minutes
4. Matters arising None	
5. Reports on Church life Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Electoral roll Mick Walters reported there were 105 on electoral in 2019 [and currently 108] Annual Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fabric, goods and ornaments 2019 No questions on report. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair PCC 2019 Matter arising -question on PCC report from Cliff Golledge regarding deletion of notes in the annual report on safeguarding and safer recruitment on page three and thus PCC had not fully approved report. Noted. Hugh Mason from the chair proposed accepting report. Deanery Synod 2019 	Fabric Committee Report 2019 accepted PCC Annual Report 2019 accepted Deanery Synod Report

<p>No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safeguarding 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. • Children’s ministry 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. • Youth work 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. • Sunday Suppers 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. • Home groups 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. • World mission 2019 No questions on this. Hugh Mason proposed accepting report from the chair. <p>Thanks were given to Lorna Sandland for all her hard work managing Sunday Suppers and ‘Breakthru’ in 2019 and to Andrea Grainger for all her dedication to the children’s ministry.</p>	<p>2019 accepted Safeguarding Report 2019 accepted</p> <p>Children’s Ministry Report 2019 accepted Youth work Report 2019 accepted Sunday Supper report 2019 accepted Home Groups Report 2019 accepted World Mission Report 2019 accepted</p>
<p>6. Treasurers Report 2019</p> <p>Gail Chipperfield presented the 2019 Financial statement showing the bank balance to be £46,000 at the 31ST December 2019. The Coffee Tavern Trust had given generous donations. There had been problems with setting up a new bank account for the Waverley Trust (now resolved). Alms giving was completed as planned amounting to £12,000. This equal 10% of unrestricted income. Financially there was a benefit from not having had a youth worker employed since Bryn Jenkins left. The financial impact of having or not having a Priest in Charge was negligible. Gift Aid is now received three monthly. There were substantial funds in the restricted funds and breakthrough monies.</p> <p>Sue Piper proposed thanks to Oyin Alonge who became Treasurer in November 2019 and Gail who is assistant treasurer.</p>	<p>Meeting accepted Treasurers Report 2019 and thanked treasurers</p>
<p>7. Elections</p> <p>a. PCC vacancies</p> <p>There were 8 vacancies on PCC. Due to our numbers on electoral roll we are able to have 12 normal PCC members plus the two church wardens as ex-officio members. The following nominations had been received Bethan Fogell; Elly Mulvaney; Pat Jolly; Michael Piper; Linda Jenkins; Gerry Lightup</p> <p>The chair proposed to accept all nominees as a block – unanimously agreed</p>	<p>New members of PCC accepted: Bethan Fogell; Elly Mulvaney; Pat Jolly; Michael Piper; Linda Jenkins; Gerry Lightup</p>

<p>b. Deanery Synod vacancies There were two vacancies for Deanery Synod representatives. One nomination had been received: Hugh Mason. Jerry Brown <u>proposed</u> accepting this <u>seconded</u> by Gail Chipperfield.</p>	New Deanery Synod representatives accepted: Hugh Mason;
<p>As chair Hugh Mason highlighted that at the first PCC meeting any further nominations to PCC can be taken to make up the full numbers possible on the PCC</p>	PCC may accept further nominations to fill vacancies
<p>8. Independent examiner appointment The church has been grateful to Margaret Burke for acting as independent examiner of accounts in previous years. Margaret is willing to continue in this role. Hugh Mason proposed to accept her- Unanimously accepted</p>	Margaret Burke appointed as Independent Examiner
<p>9. Vicar's Report 2019 As Rev Andy Finn has resigned we have a current vacancy. Hugh Mason expressed thanks to Andy and his family on behalf of the congregation for his time at St Simon's with recognition of the courteous approach he had taken in working with the Church Wardens. Hugh Mason proposed accepting the Vicar's report 2019 – unanimously accepted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions and discussion following Vicars Report <p>Mike Taylor wished to highlight the good relationship and contribution made to St Simon's by curate Adam Denley from St Jude's. Adam is completing his curacy which was extended to support mission work until end of December 2020. Mike proposed that the church approach the Archdeacon and Bishop to request Adam stays on to support the work at St Simon's, possibly beyond the current extension to his contract.</p> <p>Hugh Mason as Chair made a <u>proposal</u> that the church wardens write to the Archdeacon and the Bishop expressing these views and the idea of Adam working with St Simon's as part of the Mission Partnership arrangements with St Jude's. This was <u>seconded</u> by Lorna Sandland.</p> <p>Questions were raised on the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (Hilary Poley) What would be Adam's formal position? - (Bethan Fogell) Something could be added to the message around the benefits of working together and from the experience of Dom from St Jude's supporting youth work at St Simon's and in her role as the Diocese children and youth advisor, a vision to see resources shared amongst at least St Simon's and St Jude's but also the new developed church at St Margaret's particularly the work of St Simon's children's ministry led by Andrea Grainger. - (Michael Piper) What would it mean to 'support' work and how far there might be any financial implications in this arrangement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replies to these questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mike Taylor expected the arrangement to be temporary to cover the interregnum but that it would be in the spirit of the existing Mission 	Vicar's report 2019 accepted

<p>Partnership with St Jude's and that Adam himself had expressed keen interest in such an arrangement.</p> <p>- Hugh Mason emphasised that due to the impact of the Covid pandemic there were less funds available across all Diocese in the UK and few appointments for vicar vacancies are being processed across the UK. St Simon's is likely to be in the position of an interregnum for some time into the future. Therefore the suggestion of such an arrangement with Adam Denley may be beneficial to St Simon's, St Jude's and the Diocese itself. St Simon's is a church in good standing having fully paid the Parish Share in full for many years.</p> <p>Unanimously agreed Church wardens would send a letter to the Bishop and Archdeacon outlining these ideas for an arrangement whereby Adam Denley could be in a position to support the work of St Simon's as part of Mission Partnership work with St Jude's.</p>	<p>PCC Acting secretary on behalf of PCC and Church warden to write to Bishop and to the Archdeacon with suggestion that Adam Denley's contract could be extended to support mission and work with St Simon's.</p>
<p>10. AOB</p> <p>-Hilary Poley asked that the PCC consider a suggestion of the formation of an 'Evangelical Group'/ subgroup (post Covid pandemic) which could take forward ideas for outreach work with friends and the local community. This might take the form of a shorter Sunday service with a meal shared together, in communion, focused on inviting new church members. The group could meet three times a year to plan such events. Sue Piper pointed out that the 'Back to Church' event planned for June had had to be cancelled but that ACORN has ideas on how to invite friends and others to church, suggested ways outlined by Michael Harvey. Sue will source link for PCC.</p> <p>Hugh Mason accepted request and this will be taken to the PCC</p> <p>-Elly Mulvaney wished to express thanks to Hugh Mason (and Bob) for the service focus today and the idea's we have for hope for the future in this church with a feeling of 'new beginnings'.</p>	<p>PCC to consider the suggestion of an evangelical group/ events to invite new members in the post Covid time</p>
<p>11. Closing remarks and prayer</p> <p>Hugh Mason remarked on his 7 and a half years as Church warden presiding over three vacancies and the fact that despite this the church of St Simon's had held together in spirit and in strength in the Lord. He thanked each and every church member who has worked for the benefit of the church often in unseen ways.</p> <p>Hugh Mason closed in prayer.</p> <p>Meeting closed 12.30 pm</p>	

NEXT MEETING OF PCC: MONDAY 16 November [VIRTUAL via Zoom] 7.30pm