

Minutes of meetings on Sunday 15th May 2022

Parish of St. Peter's Bromyard Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Sunday 15th May 2022

Present: Rev. Wallace Brown, Mary Brown, Nick Brown, Rev. Christine Waudby, Rev. David Gifford, Rev. Alan Seabrook, Pene Seabrook, Brenda Allan, Dr. David Boddington, Marianne Boddington, Peter Cliff, Michael Dukes, Anthony Evans, Ruby Evans, Jenny Franklin, Mark Franklin, Carole Freegard, Roger Freegard, Jock Gill, Margaret Hamilton-Herbert, Alan Hammond, Elizabeth Hartwright, Robert Hollis, Carole Hughes, Ursula Huxtable, Robin Lowe, David Simmons, Adele Spain, Colin Spain, Ben Stapley, Edgar Whiteley, Roger Wilkins

Apologies: Rev. Kina Robertshaw, Brenda Burnett, Nicky Castree, Jane McCarthy, Janet Morgan, Ian and Gill Tait, Betty Whiteley

Annual Vestry Meeting

The Churchwardens asked Robert Hollis to chair the meeting.

Robert read 2 Thessalonians 2.13-17 and opened the meeting in prayer at 12.18 am

1. The minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting held on 2nd May 2021 were approved. (Proposed by Jenny Franklin, seconded by Carole Freegard, all in agreement)
2. Election of Churchwardens: The following nominations had been received - Mark Franklin (proposed by Adele Spain and seconded by Colin Spain) and Roger Wilkins (proposed by Carol Hughes and seconded by Roger Hollis). All being in agreement, Mark Franklin and Roger Wilkins were elected.

There then followed immediately the

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

It was agreed that Robert Hollis should continue in the chair.

1. The minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 2nd May 2021 were approved. (Proposed by Rev. Alan Seabrook, seconded by Roger Freegard, all in agreement)
2. Robert introduced reports which had been previously circulated.
 - a) A report on changes to the Electoral Roll since the last meeting
 - b) An annual report on the proceedings of the PCC
 - c) A safeguarding report
 - d) The independently examined financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021
 - e) An annual report from the Churchwardens
 - f) The annual fabric report

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g) A report on the proceedings of the Deanery Synod

Introducing the reports, Robert highlighted the need for our own Safeguarding Officer and asked members to pray about this.

Speaking on behalf of the Churchwardens and the PCC, Mark expressed his thanks to the many who contribute so much to the life of our church but were not named in the brief written reports, in particular the Worship Group and our Church Administrator, Janet Morgan.

Mark also gave a brief presentation on the financial statements highlighting the currently difficult financial position.

Roger Wilkins discussed the fabric report and the Deanery Synod.

All being in agreement, all of the above reports were received by the meeting.

3. Election or appointment of:

a) Representative for Deanery Synod – Brenda Allan was proposed by Mark Franklin and seconded by Robert Hollis. All being in agreement, Brenda Allan was elected as a Representative for the Deanery Synod and joins Roger Wilkins who agreed to continue.

b) Lay members of the PCC. Michael Dukes was proposed by Robin Lowe and seconded by Mark Franklin; Jane McCarthy was proposed by Mark Franklin and seconded by Roger Wilkins. Retiring members, Peter Cliff, Jenny Franklin, Carole Freegard, Robert Hollis and Ursula Huxtable were proposed for re-election by Mark Franklin and seconded by Dr. David Boddington. All being in agreement, the following were elected as lay members of the PCC:

- Peter Cliff
- Michael Dukes
- Jenny Franklin
- Carole Freegard
- Robert Hollis
- Ursula Huxtable
- Jane McCarthy

It was agreed that one-third of elected members should retire each year by rotation.

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Members of the new PCC are therefore Rev. Kina Robertshaw (clergy licensed to the parish), Mark Franklin, Roger Wilkins (Churchwardens), Brenda Allan (Deanery Synod Representative), Peter Cliff, Michael Dukes, Jenny Franklin, Carole Freegard, Robert Hollis, Ursula Huxtable and Jane McCarthy.

- c) Deputy Churchwardens - no nominations were received.
- d) Sidesmen – Michael Dukes agreed to continue in office. Edgar Whiteley, who has long acted in this capacity agreed to be officially recognised as such. David Simmons offered his services. All being in agreement, Michael, Edgar and David were elected.
- e) Safeguarding Officer – No nominations having been received, this role will continue to be performed by the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer, Mandy McPhee.
- f) Electoral Roll Officer – Jenny Franklin has agreed to continue. All were in agreement.
- g) Independent Examiner – Mark Franklin proposed and Rev. Wallace Brown seconded that we continue with Kendall Wadley. All were in agreement.

4. Other Matters

- a) Elizabeth Hartwright proposed a vote of thanks to the flower arrangers, particularly Di Rowbery. All agreed
- b) Jenny Franklin also wished to thank the bell ringers, All agreed.
- c) Ben Stapley asked if the agendas and minutes of PCC meetings could be published on the church website. Mark Franklin agreed to see that this was done.

Robert read 2 Thessalonians 3.1-5 and closed the meeting in prayer.

The meeting closed at 1.02 pm.