

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12th April 2016 having been issued earlier by email were taken as read and signed as a true record.

Resolution

The AGM wishes to continue to elect up to 15 PCC members as it has done in the past and does not wish to retire one third of its members and elect one third each year.

Proposed Liz Hooper, **Seconded** Jeanette Horn ; Passed unanimously.

Election of PCC Lay Members

NB The Church Representation Rules have been amended and the version current from 1 January 2017 includes changes about safeguarding matters. As a result of this, PCC members are asked to self certify that they comply with the new regulations. A form was passed around for all members present to sign those absent will be asked to sign at the next PCC meeting.

Resignations: Claire Gathercole stepped down earlier in the year, there were no further resignations.

New Nomination:

Sally Rees who was a co-opted member last year was elected to full membership.

Proposed: Jenny Batelen; **Seconded:** Andrew Horn; Elected unanimously

There are now 15 elected members, these are:

Lynne and Stuart Larnder, Jeanette Horn, James & Meg Martineau, Angela Randle, Judy Baer, Fiona Davies, Elizabeth Hooper, Sally Rees, Evelyn Ellis, Gill Oldfield, Tony Checketts, Edward Stearn, Louise Robinson .

Deanery Synod members

The Deanery Synod began a new triennium this year. Both Mr Robert Thornton and Mr Mike Griffiths indicated that they were content to continue as members and were elected unanimously as follows:

Robert Thornton **Proposed** Jenny Batelen, **Seconded** Andrew Horn

Mike Griffiths **Proposed** Andrew Horn **Seconded** Jenny Batelen

Non Elected Members:

Interim Rector: Sheila Banyard

Deanery Synod Members: Michael Griffiths and Robert Thornton.

Churchwardens: Jenny Batelen and Andrew Horn

Ex Officio members: None

Unofficial Officer – Deputy Churchwarden

Fiona Davies agreed to continue in this unofficial role for another year and was elected unanimously.

Proposed Judy Baer, **Seconded** Jenny Batelen.

Election of Reporting Accountant

Stuart Larnder has agreed to continue as our financial examiner for a further year.

The Chairman welcomed the newly elected members of the PCC and thanked them for their support and commitment.

Election of Financial Examiner

Stuart Larnder has agreed to continue as our financial examiner for a further year.

Election of Sidespeople

For many years we have operated a system with Mrs Jeanette Horn assisted by Mrs Lynne Hunter drawing up a variable rota of sidespeople to operate throughout the year. Both were happy to continue with this and it was agreed to continue the system which has been operating successfully for many years. Judy commented that as the rota was planned a year in advance people sometimes needed to swap dates and it was difficult to reflect the changes in the parish magazine. It was agreed that when either sidespeople, lectors or intercessors change their dates they should notify Judy so that their names appear against the correct services.

Electoral Roll

Judy Baer kindly agreed to continue as our Electoral Roll Officer for another year

Judy confirmed that currently the number on the electoral roll stands at 82.

It was agreed that it is difficult to contact all the people in the village who do not regularly attend church but who may wish to be on the Electoral Roll. Sheila agreed to write a short item about the Electoral Roll for the next parish magazine indicating that anyone wishing to be included on the roll should contact Judy. **ACTION Sheila**

Churchwardens' Report

This report was given by Jenny Batelen; a copy is appended to these minutes and will be printed in the Magazine and added to the website.

Deanery Synod Report

This report was given by Robert Thornton; a copy is appended to these minutes.

Safeguarding Report This report was given by Jenny Batelen; a copy is appended to these minutes and will be printed in the Magazine and added to the website.

Financial Statement

James Martineau (Treasurer) was unable to attend the meeting however he had issued the financial statement and a short summary in advance. Andrew Horn noted that there had been a drop in the input from the collection and gift aid envelopes, possibly due to fewer baptisms this year, however, thanks to Fiona's efforts the number of people signed up for gift aid had increased.

Adoption of Examined Accounts

It was agreed that the adoption of the accounts should be left until the next PCC meeting on 9th May by which time they will have been inspected and signed off by Stuart Larnder.

There was a brief discussion relating to the cost of replacing the lead which was recently stolen from the roof. The cost of replacement is estimated at £20,000 plus a £2,500 charge to setup access to the roof. The payout from Ecclesiastical Insurers is capped at £7,500 for metals removed from the outside of churches. There has been a recent spate of lead thefts in our area and St Andrew's featured prominently in an item on the Midlands' news. It is hoped this may generate some sympathetic donations from within the village.

It was agreed that an item about the theft and subsequent cost to the church should appear in the next parish magazine and also on the website. Sheila suggested that it could also be highlighted at the summer fete.

The possibility of using a lead substitute was considered, Sheila said that there have been precedents, especially when the lead is not visible from the ground. Andrew has spoken with the police security adviser; the next stage is to discuss the options with Nick Joyce and the roofers.

As there was no further business the Annual general meeting was drawn to a close.

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St Andrew's Parochial Church Council
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26th April 2017 (following the AGM)

The Chairman welcomed the newly elected PCC

Minutes

The Minutes of the PCC meeting on 12th April 2016 having been issued earlier by email were taken as read signed as a true record.(with a correction to the date in the heading)

Election of Officers

All officers were content to remain in post. James Martineau wished his thanks to be expressed to Lynne Larnder for her assistance with the banking.

- Lay Vice Chairman Andy Horn (Prop. Jenny Batelen Sec. Liz Hooper)
- Secretary Sally Rees (Prop. Andy Horn Sec. Evelyn Ellis)
- Treasurer James Martineau (Prop. Jeanette Horn Sec. Judy Baer.)
- Safeguarding Officer Jenny Batelen (Prop. Robert Thornton Sec. Meg Martineau)
- H & S Representative Robert Thornton (Prop. Evelyn Ellis Sec. Andy Horn)

Election of Standing Committee

Robert Thornton agreed to remain on the standing committee for as long as his experience was required.

The members of the standing committee are:

Dr Andrew Horn (Churchwarden and Lay Chairman)
Mrs Jenny Batelen (Churchwarden)
Mr Robert Thornton (Churchwarden Emeritus)
Mr James Martineau (Treasurer)
Mrs Fiona Davies (Deputy Churchwarden)
Mr Basil Lamb (verger and Sexton)
Mrs Sally Rees (Secretary)

(Proposed Judy Baer, Seconded Gill Oldfield, agreed unanimously)

Appointment of Church Houses Charity Trustees

Rev. Derek Arnold having left the area there are currently vacancies to be filled. Sheila expressed her willingness to attend meeting but she is not in the position to become a full Trustee. The PCC reappointed the following Trustees and agreed that they could co-opt members to fill the vacancies at a later date. .

Mr Stuart Larnder (Chair)
Dr. Mike Best
Mr Andrew Tooby
Mr Chris Gait

Proposed Liz Hooper Seconded Meg Martineau. Passed Unanimously

A.O.B

Gill Oldfield has come across a charity “Sharethemiracle” which provided free cards which we could use to invite people to attend Easter Services. She will bring more information to the next PCC Meeting.

Date of Next meetings

Standing Committee

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- Friday 3rd July
- Friday 1st September
- Friday 3rd November

PCC

Tuesday 9th May
Tuesday 11th July
Tuesday 12th September
Tuesday 14th November

As there was no further business the meeting closed in prayer.