

St Andrew's Parochial Church Council
Minutes of the Vestry Meeting held prior to the AGM on Tuesday 17th April 2018

Present: Sheila Banyard (Interim Rector), Andrew Horn (Churchwarden and Chair), Jenny Batelen (Churchwarden), Robert Thornton, Sally Rees (Secretary), Gillian Oldfield, Judy Baer, Jeanette Horn, Fiona Davies, Angela Randle, Tony Checketts, Stewart and Lynne Larnder.

Non PCC Members: Basil Lamb (Verger and Sexton), Audrey and Geoff Axom, David Wood.

Apologies: Louise Robinson, Evelyn Ellis, Liz Hooper, Meg Martineau, James Martineau (Treasurer).

The Chairman welcomed those attending the vestry meeting and the AGM and Sheila Banyard opened the meeting with prayers giving thanks for all those past and present who have contributed to the life of the church and asking for guidance in our decisions.

Minutes of previous Vestry Meeting

The Minutes of the Vestry Meeting held on 26th April 2017 were taken as read and signed as a true record.

Election of Church Wardens

Resolution

The PCC of St Andrew's Ombersley wishes to continue to elect its Churchwardens as it has done in the past and does not wish to limit their tenure to duration of 6 years.

Proposed David Wood ; **Seconded** Jeanette Horn. **Passed** unanimously.

There were two nominations for Churchwarden,

There being no other nominations the following were unanimously elected to the position of Churchwardens for a period of 12 months to be ratified at the Archdeacon's Service of Commissioning of Churchwardens in May.

Andrew Horn	Proposed by Fiona Davies
	Seconded by Robert Thornton

Jenny Batelen	Proposed by Robert Thornton
	Seconded by Fiona Davies

This will be Jenny's 6th year as Churchwarden and she confirmed that she will not be standing for re-election next year. On behalf of the PCC Andrew thanked Jenny for the sterling work she has done and continues to do.

There being no further business the Vestry Meeting was declared closed

St Andrew's Parochial Church Council
Annual General Meeting Tuesday 17th April 2018

Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 26th April 2017 were taken as read and signed as a true record.

Resolution

The AGM wishes to continue to elect up to 16 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 Jenny Batelen, Seconded: Fiona Davies. Passed unanimously.

Deanery Synod members

The Deanery Synod began a new triennium in 2017 when Mr Robert Thornton was elected; Robert indicated that he was content to continue as a member. Our other Deanery synod representative, Mike Griffiths sadly passed away earlier this year, Mrs Louise Robinson had indicated that she would be prepared to replace him and was duly elected.

Proposed: Fiona Davies, Seconded: Jeanette Horn, Passed Unanimously.

Election of PCC Lay Members

Resignations: Gill Oldfield and Edward Stearn. The chairman thanked them for their support and particularly Gill Oldfield who has provided and organised catering for many of our events. Gill is moving away from Ombersley but has agreed to continue with all aspects of Church life, including the catering, whenever she is available and able. Louise Robinson is now Deanery Synod Representative and as such becomes a Non Elected Member.

All other 11 members were content to continue for the coming year and were elected en block, these were:

Lynne and Stuart Lardner, Jeanette Horn, James & Meg Martineau, Angela Randle, Judy Baer, Fiona Davies, Elizabeth Hooper, Evelyn Ellis, Tony Checketts.

Proposed: David Wood, Seconded: Angela Randle Passed unanimously.

New Nomination: Chris Day Proposed: Fiona Davies Seconded: James Martineau
Jo Darwell Proposed: Seconded:
Both were elected unanimously

Co-opted Members: Sally Rees (Secretary)

Non Elected Members:

Interim Rector: Sheila Banyard

Deanery Synod Members: Louise Robinson and Robert Thornton.

Churchwardens: Jenny Batelen and Andrew Horn

Ex Officio members: None

Unofficial Officer – Deputy Churchwarden

This post is currently held by Fiona Davies who was content to continue in the role

Proposed: Judy Baer, Seconded; Tony Checketts Passed unanimously

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

Election of Sidesmen

For many years we have operated a system with Mrs Jeanette Horn assisted by Mrs Lynne Hunter drawing up a variable rota of sidesmen 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,

Proposed: David Wood Seconded: Lynne Lardner, Passed unanimously

Electoral Roll

Judy Baer is currently our Electoral Roll officer and has indicated that although she is prepared to continue for the time being a replacement should be sought for next year. We are due a new Electoral Roll next year and it would be helpful if a replacement could be found to assist Judy before then.

Judy was duly elected as our Electoral Roll Officer

Proposed: Sally Rees, Seconded: Jeanette Horn, Passed unanimously.

Judy confirmed that the number on the electoral roll currently stand at **85**.

Election of Reporting Accountant

Paul Adams has agreed to replace Stuart Lardner in this role and was elected as financial examiner.

Proposed: Tony Checketts, Seconded: Judy Baer, Passed Unanimously .

Reports: Copies of the following reports are appended to these minutes.

- **Churchwardens Report.** This was presented by the chairman with thanks to Jenny for her assistance in preparing it. After the report the Chairman gave special thanks to Basil and Diana Lamb who work quietly and diligently in the background and whose time and effort have proved so invaluable to the running of Saint Andrew's.
- **Benefice Report** provided by Sheila Banyard. The Chairman thanked Sheila for the considerable effort which she puts into maintaining the Seven Parishes' Benefice.
- **Safeguarding Report** given by Jenny Batelen
- **Deanery Synod Report** given by Robert Thornton
- **Financial Statement** provided by James Martineau and read in his absence by the Chairman.

Adoption of Audited Accounts

The financial accounts which had been reviewed at an extraordinary PCC Meeting held after the Service at 10:40 on Sunday 8th April were duly adopted.

Proposed Andrew Horn, Seconded: Sally Rees Passed unanimously.

As there was no further business the Annual general meeting was drawn to a close at 20:15.