



MINUTES OF ALL SAINTS' CHILTON ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY 1ST MAY 2022 AT ALL SAINTS' CHILTON

Judith Russell, Churchwarden, chaired the meeting and welcomed 14 church members who were present. This included the Reverend Pam Rolls who opened the meeting by reading one of Paul's letters (to the Colossians) Chapter 4, verses 2-6. She encouraged us to look back on last year and look forward to the coming year focussing on serving the Lord, devoting ourselves to prayer as the foundation in all we do in the church and wider community. To have wisdom in the way we act towards people as we share our faith, and grace as we have conversations and answer questions and encourage and bless each other.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING (APM)

1. Apologies for Absence had been received from Hazel Benton, Judy Gold, Jane Hale and Audrey Hayes.
2. Minutes of the previous Annual Meetings (APM & APCM) 2021
The minutes of the last meetings had been circulated (with the other reports) via the church website and paper copies in the church.
Approval was proposed by John Pigott and Seconded by Yvonne Sanderson.
All voted to approve apart from 1 abstention.
Carol Pigott was thanked for producing the clear minutes and stepping in again in the absence of a Parochial Church Council (PCC) Secretary. She was given a bouquet of flowers in appreciation of her faithful service.
3. Election of Churchwardens.
The current Churchwardens, Judith Russell and Yvonne Sanderson were both prepared to stand for another year, and there were no other nominations.

Judith Russell – proposed by Naomi Gibson, seconded by Stuart Gibson.

Yvonne Sanderson – proposed by Michelle LeClair, seconded by Naomi Gibson.

They were duly elected unanimously.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

Elections/Appointments

1. Deanery Synod Representatives
We are entitled to 2 representatives, to serve from 2020 to 2023.
No nominations had been received so both posts lie vacant.

2. PCC Members

The current membership of the PCC includes Stuart Gibson (PCC Treasurer), John Pigott and Alex Reich, who all have a year left on their term. For the rolling membership to work there is currently 3 vacancies for 3 years and 3 vacancies for 2 years.

It was agreed for the candidates for the 3 year and 2 year vacancies to be voted on block.

Nominations for 3 years

Hazel Benton – Proposed by Michelle Le Clair, Seconded by Liz Morris

Naomi Gibson – Proposed by Liz Morris, Seconded by Alex Reich

Pat Moseley – Proposed by Heather Moseley, Seconded by Hazel Benton

They were duly elected unanimously.

Nominations for 2 years

Steve Hale – Proposed by Heather Moseley, Seconded by Yvonne Sanderson

Liz Morris – Proposed by Naomi Gibson, Seconded by Hazel Benton

Debra Dewhurst – Proposed by Judith Russell, Seconded by Yvonne Sanderson

They were duly elected unanimously.

Phil Corbishley had decided not to stand again and was thanked for serving on the PCC since 2016.

3. Independent Examiner

Jane Moreton, of Harwell, was prepared to continue as our Independent Examiner of the accounts.

The Independent examiner was proposed by Liz Morris, seconded by Carol Pigott, and accepted unanimously. The Chair expressed thanks for the work that Mrs Moreton undertakes for us.

4. Receiving the Reports

The reports for this year had all been published on the Church website and paper copies in church.

The reports are:

- a. Minutes of Previous Meeting
- b. PCC Annual report for 2021, Including the Electoral Roll report
- c. Fabric report
- d. Financial report and Accounts
- e. Safeguarding report

The minutes had been approved by this meeting, with the minutes of the Annual Parochial meeting (above).

The reports (b-d) and accounts had been approved by the PCC at its previous meeting and the Safeguarding report was approved by the Joint PCC on 25th April 2022 by correspondence.

(The Fabric report and Financial report were included in the Annual report. The Accounts and Safeguarding report were separate.)

Andrew Hayes was thanked for preparing the Fabric report and being willing to answer any questions. Mr Hayes was presented with a gift to acknowledge and thank him for his service as Fabric Committee Chair now that he has stepped down after many years in this role.

Stuart Gibson, Treasurer, thanked the church membership for their generous giving of both money and time. He reported that all expenses had been covered last year, apart from our commitment to Christians Against Poverty, ending the year with £4,000 in the General Fund. He highlighted the challenges for the coming year with the need to fundraise for the work of the Children and Family workers, our contribution towards the work of the local CAP Debt Centre and the shortfall on the Administrator's salary now that Jonathan has left, as he used to fund part of this. There were no questions.

Judy Gold was thanked for continuing in the role of Deputy Safeguarding Officer for the Benefice and producing the report. There were no questions on the report

5. Deanery Synod report for 2021.

There were no questions about the report. Revd Pam Rolls drew the meeting's attention to copies of a trifold leaflet outlining the Mission Action Plan for the Deanery.

6. Number on Electoral Roll

The All Saints', Chilton electoral roll has reduced from 68 to 65 due to one person moving away and two people sadly dying. Twelve people live outside the parish. Carol Pigott was thanked for updating the electoral roll.

(The list of sidesmen used to be presented to this meeting for approval, but has now been delegated to the PCC to approve at their next meeting)

The meeting was reminded that the Churchwardens keep the Property Register Terrier, update the Inventory of the church belongings and also update the Log Book of all work that happens to the building and churchyard. These were available to be viewed.

7. Information about Interregnum and process for finding a new Rector

Mrs Russell explained about the process of replacing Revd Dr Jonathan Mobey following his resignation. The PCC and Senior Leadership Team (SLT) are meeting with the Patrons of the Benefice on 11th May to find out more about the procedure. The Patrons are from Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS) and the Oxford Diocesan Board of Patronage.

The PCC have met on a couple of occasions to discuss the potential ministry in Valley Park area of Didcot which will mostly fall in the Harwell Parish with 4,000 new homes. A curate has already been appointed to cover this area. The Deanery Synod have been considering how to cope with the increase in population (15,000) in the Greater Didcot Area and have recently voted that the existing incumbents of the churches of Harwell with Chilton, All Saints' Didcot, Ladygrove, Great Western Park and St Peter's will work together informally at the moment, and possibly eventually form a Team Ministry.

As part of the recruitment process, work has already begun on producing a Parish Profile which provides an insight to the type of church community we are, our vision, what we do and direction we would like to go and the sort of person we are looking for. There are currently other local vacancies in Wantage and Cholsey. Four members from the churches, two from Chilton and two from Harwell will be selected to sit on the interview panel with representatives from the Patrons.

It is anticipated that the position will be advertised later this year in the Church Times and on the web with the hope that shortlisting and interviews will follow, and a new incumbent appointed by spring next year.

Pat Moseley asked that the people involved in the process be held in our prayers and that the church members consider what kind of person we are looking for and share with the Churchwardens.

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Andrew Hayes expressed appreciation for all the paperwork that had been produced which highlighted and reminded us of all the things that the church had been doing over the past year. Alex Reich wished to thank the Churchwardens Judith and Yvonne for all their hard work, and Revd Pam Rolls and Revd Jan Radford for their valuable ministry to the Benefice and particularly All Saints'.

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Closing Prayer

The meeting closed at 11.05am with the sharing of the Grace.

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Naomi Gibson
(Secretary)