

Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) Minutes 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020

	<b>Vestry Meeting</b> (Anyone living in the Parish and/or on the Electoral Roll can attend and vote)	NB: this was a virtual Zoom meeting
<b>Item</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Decision/Actions</b>
1	Allison Streetly welcomed everyone and explained the difference between the Vestry Meeting and the APCM. The Revd. Bridget Shepherd opened the meeting in prayer.	
2	<p><i>Present:</i> Revd. Bridget Shepherd, Allison Streetly, Angela Stebbings, Min Britton, Catrin Cox, Cherry Murdoch, Clare Johnson, Debbie Pillai, Elizabeth Bentley, James Murdoch, Jean Parker, Javan Green, Joanne McCrone, John Murray, John Savill, Laurie Roberts, Laurie Stuart, Margaret Cadney, Nick Shepherd, Paul McCrone, Peter Watson, Petra Woodford, Richard Evans, Rosemary Thurbon, Roz McCutcheon, Sonja Goosen, Adriaan Goosen, Tanya Hilborne, Trudi Branson, Yi Baylis, Sue Tearle, Conway Tearle, John Stevens</p> <p><i>Apologies:</i> Gail Treves-Brown</p>	
3	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None declared.	
4	<b>Approval of Minutes for 28th April 2019</b> No Corrections The minutes were approved ; Proposer: Sue Tearle. Seconded: Richard Evans. All in favour	<i>Carried: Minutes approved.</i>
5	<b>Matters arising from 28th April 2019</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no matters arising, questions or comments.</li> <li>• Thanks were offered to the outgoing Wardens</li> </ul>	
6	<b>Election of Church Wardens</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Joanne McCrone was proposed by Angela Stebbings and seconded by Nana Annan via nomination form</li> <li>b. Angela Stebbings was proposed by Joanne McCrone and seconded by Nana Annan via nomination form</li> <li>c. There being no other nominations, Joanne and Angela were elected unopposed.</li> <li>d. The induction of Church Wardens will be done locally.</li> </ol>	<i>Joanne McCrone and Angela Stebbings were elected as Church Wardens.</i>
7	The Vestry Meeting was closed	

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2	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None declared.	
3	<p><b>Approval of Minutes for 28th April 2019</b> No Corrections The minutes were approved ; Proposer: Rosalind McCutcheon. Seconded: Richard Evans. All in favour</p>	<i>Carried: Minutes approved.</i>
4	<p><b>Matters arising from 28th April 2019</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There were no matters arising, questions or comments.</li> </ul>	
5	<p><b>Receipt of Annual Reports</b> (Hard copies of the Annual Report and Annual Accounts were made available at both churches, or can be downloaded from the PCC page of the website. Please note that the Annual Report was written before lockdown, and was not been changed for this meeting.)</p> <p>The APCM received the following Reports:</p> <p>a. <b>Electoral Roll</b> (see page 7 of the report)</p> <p>i) The Annual Report showed 125 on the Roll, an increase from 117 but one additional person has been added (since the Report and before the APCM) bringing total to 126.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>iii) Thanks were given to Roz our ER Officer.</p> <p>b. <b>PCC Secretary's Report</b> (see page 7 of the report)</p> <p>i) John Savill pointed out that we supported Chaddy Mission Kenya rather than Chaddy Mission School directly.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>iii) Thanks were given to James our PCC Secretary.</p> <p>c. <b>Annual Accounts and Finance Report</b> ( see page 11 of the report and Annual Accounts)</p>	

	<p>i) Adriaan commented that since the end of the financial year, we remain in a relatively healthy position with increased Regular Giving and renewed Hall bookings. Conway commented that we are very blessed in that finances are holding up. Allision commented on the work on our buildings being done in the 2019 and 2020 financial years and that it was good to be getting out of the cycle of decline.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>iii) It was moved that the APCM approve the 2019 Annual Accounts. Proposed James Murdoch. Seconded John Murray. All in favour (no abstentions nor votes against)</p> <p>iv) Thanks were given to to the Finance Team – Roz (Bookkeeping), Conway (Accounts), Yi (Treasurer), Adriaan (ex Treasurer) &amp; Tanya Hilborne (Gift Aid Secretary)</p> <p>d. <b>Deanery Synod</b> (see page 12 of the report)</p> <p>i) Richard Evans said that the Synod needed new faces and motivation. He gave a brief description of the work of the Synod including its link between the CofE as a whole and the individual parishes.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>iii) Thanks were given to Richard and our other Synod reps, Allison Streetly and Rebekah Fowle (resigned earlier in the year).</p> <p>e. <b>Warden’s Report, Good Shepherd</b> (see page 14 of the report)</p> <p>i) Joanne McCrone said that much was happening since the report including: Tree removal, Office Move, Ongoing works on the Good Shepherd external and on Weigall Road and the Quinquennial Inspection.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>f. <b>Warden’s Report, St Peter’s</b> (see page 15 of the report)</p> <p>i) Angel Stebbings commented that the report covered the year but that that we have restarted Services and the Food Bank since the COVID lockdown.</p> <p>ii) There were no further comments or questions</p> <p>g. <b>Parish Safeguarding Report</b> (see page 16 of the report)</p> <p>i) Allison Streetly that this is an important area and a Priority for the next PCC</p> <p>ii) Laurie Stuart (Safeguarding Officer) commented that the report covered the year but that the envisaged training in June was cancelled because of COVID restrictions. Laurie Roberts suggested we look at Zoom based training, this was agreed.</p> <p>iii) There were no further comments or questions</p>	<p><i>Action: Replacement Zoom based Safeguarding training to be investigated.</i></p>
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9	<p><b>Vicar’s Reflections:</b> (see also pages 3-7 and 17-18)</p> <p>a) Bridget said that her reflections were written pre COVID but that some of the themes have become even more apt post lock-down. She went back to the PCC awayday in November 2019 where we discussed her sabbatical reflections and started to move from a focus on Sunday to a focus on God. The question is what can we</p>	

	<p>do outside of Sundays? Bridget drew a parallel to an athlete moving exercising just on one day to incrementally exercising on 2 or 3 days to exercising everyday until it becomes just part of life. We move to everyday faith.</p> <p>John Murray had prophetically said that tech would become an important part of church life and that had proven true in the COVID crisis. Bridget greatly valued the intimacy we have achieved via Zoom. However, even if we can't all gather every Sunday, the Sunday service remain symbolic of everything else we can do and where we set out our store. For many it is an entry point. However, this needs resourcing and we need to resource the Sunday Service if we can consider what our part can be.</p> <p>b) Laurie Roberts suggested that we put out a brief description of all the roles we wish to resource.</p> <p>c) James Murdoch asked for volunteers of Sidespeople and received 3 additional names for the list: Tanya Hilborne Ruth Goss and Nana Anan. (Sidespeople are now appointed by the PCC, formerly by the APCM)</p> <p>d) Appreciation was expressed for Bridget's hard work</p>	
10	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>Thanks were given to the Revd. Sarah Simpson for her Ministry at The Good Shepherd and St Peters and good wishes for her new ministry in Streatham.</p> <p>Thanks were also given to Allison Streetly for charing the APCM and PCC throughout the year.</p>	
15	<p><b>Closing Prayers</b></p> <p>The meeting closed in prayer, led by Joanne McCrone, at around 1:00pm</p>	