



Annual Meetings Minutes

Sunday 21st April 2024

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. *Reverend Dave Willis welcomed everyone with a prayer and the meeting started at 11:25 am. There were approximately 45 parishioners present.*

2. Election of Clerk to the meeting

Suzanne Dyer was elected as clerk to the meeting.

Proposed: Mhoira Brewer

Seconded: Mark Wilcox

3. Approval of Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners held on 23rd April 2023

Minutes were approved

4. Election of Churchwardens

Nominations had been received for Tricia Muzalewski and Paul Chisnell. Both were duly elected to role of churchwarden.

DW thanked Tricia and Paul for their help and support over the past year.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Sue Johnson

2. Approval of the Minutes from the APCM on 23rd April 2023

CR pointed out that Karen Kindley was no longer a member of the PCC having stepped down. Her name would be removed from the minutes.

The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Matters arising

None

4. Election of members to the Parochial Church Council (PCC)

Elected members of the PCC were recorded as follows:

Margaret Ridley

Colin Russell

Barry Wadley-Smith

Ian Stobart

Barbara Black

Joseph Fredrick Watson

John Gray

Megan Dugdale

Sue Johnson

Paul Dyer

Suzanne Dyer

Mhoira Brewer had decided to step down from the PCC. Thanks was given to Mhoira for she has done over the years.

5. Election of lay representatives to Deanery Synod

There were no changes to the those elected last year.

6. Report on the changes to the Electoral Roll (Martin Everett)

The roll currently has 185 people listed – there are twice as many people living outside the parish who attend St. Augustines than who live in it. Next year, people who attend will need to fill out a form.

No questions raised.

7. Financial Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2023 (Colin Russell)

This report is sent to the charities commission – it is a financial reports and it also reports the proceedings of the PCC. It has been prepared by Colin Russell.

There were no amendments or explanations asked about the report.

Thanks were given to Colin for the large amount of work and time given to prepare the reports.

8. Appointment of an Independent Examiner

Mr. Graham Lane of Tyrone Road – a retired chartered accountant who examined the reports last year – was put forward to do the same this year.

Proposed: Colin Russell

Seconded: Father Frank Smith

His appointment was approved.

9. Report on the proceedings of the PCC and the activities of the parish generally

There were no questions asked about the financial or PCC report.

10. Report on the fabric and fittings (Churchwardens)

No questions raised.

Thanks were given to the churchwardens for all the work that they do that no-one sees – MB

11. Report on the proceedings of the Southend Deanery Synod (Vicar)

No questions raised. Thanks was given to the Deanery Synod.

12. Any other business

A question was raised from DB about the Little Bournes Green Pre-School currently using the church hall. DW explained that this would be spoken about during the vicar's address.

13. Vicar's Address

Please see attached.

No questions were raised but Dave did welcome people to come and speak to him about any issues that they might want to discuss with him personally.

Father Frank thanked Dave for all he has done for the church and the community of Thorpe Bay – 'it is a blessing that you are here!'

14. Closing prayer

The meeting finished at 11:56 with the grace.