



Annual Meetings Minutes

Sunday 25th May 2025

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. Reverend Dave Willis welcomed everyone with a prayer and the meeting started at 11:34 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: Fred Watson

3. Approval of Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners held on 21st April 2024

Minutes were approved

4. Election of Churchwardens

Nominations had been received for Leslie Harrod and Sally Carr. Both were duly elected to role of churchwarden.

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

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1. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Sally Carr

2. Approval of the Minutes from the APCM on 21st April 2024

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
John Biggs

Fred Watson had decided to step down from the PCC. Thanks was given to Fred for his 46 years of service.

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 119 people listed – 33 living in the parish and 86 living outside of the parish. Thanks to ME for administering the list – it was not too late to add names.

No questions raised.

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

Accounts are still being finalised and yet to be presented. Very grateful for all the hard work that PD has done. The accounts need to be independently examined. There will be another very short meeting after church to verify the accounts.

8. Appointment of an Independent Examiner

Mr. Graham Lane of Tyrone Road – a retired chartered accountant who examined the reports last year – will be 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 PCC report.

10. Report on the fabric and fittings (Churchwardens)

No questions raised.

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

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

12. Any other business

No questions raised.

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.

14. Closing prayer

The meeting finished at 12.10 with the grace.

Signed _____ Rev. D. Willis Date _____