



## MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2022 at 11.30am

St James the Less, Pangbourne

### THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISHIONERS

Reverend Mark Hopkins, opened the meeting at 11.25am with prayer.

MH welcomed all present and thanked Jill Palfrey, Julia Sheppard and Mark Littledale for all their work over the past year.

#### 1. There were six vacancies and three nominations were received and elected:

- Jill Palfrey – proposed by Penny Billyeald, seconded by Christine Tims.
- Julia Sheppard – proposed by Mark Littledale, seconded by Wilma Grant.

No other nominations were received, so all were elected unanimously.

The meeting closed at 11.28am.

### THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Reverend Mark Hopkins took the chair and opened the meeting at 11.29am

1.	<b>Apologies:</b> Nigel and Veronica Suffield -Jones; Brian and Christine Tims  <b>A total of 28 members attended the meeting.</b>
2.	<b>Minutes of Last Meetings</b> The minutes were signed at PCC and available for parishioners to view. There were no matters arising.
3.	<b>Annual Report</b>
3.1	MH expressed thanks to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All volunteers who have done so much to help in our parish.</li><li>• Churchwardens – Jill Palfrey, Julia Sheppard and Mark Littledale for all they have done in our churches and the support they have given to MH as Rector. As he steps down as churchwarden, particular thanks to ML for his work over the past two years.</li><li>• PTOs for all they have done in parish over the last year – Barry Ashdown, Tony Naden, Jean Rothery and Brian Tims.</li><li>• Wilma Grant as Music Coordinator.</li><li>• Stephen Billyeald as Treasurer</li><li>• Vanessa Saunders as Administrator.</li></ul> MH read his report of 2022 and gave his vision for 2023.

3.2	TN gave a brief update on activities of All Churches Together.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Electoral Roll Officer's Report</b> Vanessa Saunders reported that two people came off the 2022 ER. Therefore, the number of members on the Electoral Roll in April 2023 was <b>133</b> .
<b>5.</b>	<b>Financial Report and Presentation</b> Stephen Billyeald gave an overview of the Accounts.
<b>6.</b>	<b>Questions From Members</b>
6.1	Edward Goddard asked whether it would be possible in the coming year to have the occasional service of Evensong or Mattins? Current service pattern is unbalanced with lots of HC services. MH responded: The rector decides service pattern for the three churches. Three things he considers are churchmanship and what is fitting for congregation, how likely it is that the service will be attended and how it will further the mission of church in the wider community. MH said that when the curate arrives, he will consider whether there is scope for additional services or different styles of service.
6.2	EG asked whether the minutes of the APCM meeting could be circulated soon after the meeting? MH responded: There is no reason why the minutes should not be circulated after the APCM, so we will endeavour to make this happen.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Elections and Appointments</b> ( <i>only those on the Electoral Roll were entitled to vote</i> )
7.1	<b>Election of Deanery Synod Members – three vacancies</b> Two nominations were received: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jill Palfrey – proposed by Stephen Billyeald, seconded by Christine Tims.</li> <li>2. Wilma Grant – proposed by Jill Palfrey, seconded by Stephen Billyeald.</li> </ol> <p>No other nominations were received, so no election was necessary. Both were duly elected.</p>
7.2	<b>Parochial Church Council Members – nine vacancies</b> One nomination was received: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dilys Rogers – proposed by Linda Clargo, seconded by Nick Bion.</li> <li>2. Vanessa Saunders – proposed by Stephen Billyeald, seconded by Jill Palfrey.</li> <li>3. Stephen Billyeald – proposed by Jill Palfrey, seconded by Vanessa Saunders.</li> <li>4. Mark Littledale – proposed by Vanessa Saunders, seconded by Wilma Grant.</li> <li>5. Emma Barker – proposed by Vanessa Saunders, seconded by Julia Sheppard.</li> </ol> <p>No other nominations were received, so no election was necessary. All were duly elected.</p>
7.3	<b>Appointment of Independent Examiner</b> PCC expressed its gratitude and thanked Mr Norris for his audit of the accounts. It was proposed to appoint Mr Norris as the Independent Examiner for 2023, proposed by Stephen Billyeald, seconded by Vanessa Saunders. <b>All in favour</b>
7.4	<b>Any Other Business</b> JP thanked Rev Mark Hopkins for all he had done for the parish over the past 12 months.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Date of Next APCM</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2024
<b>9.</b>	MH closed the meeting with prayer at 12.13pm

Signed:  
Date:

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