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The Parish of St Nicholas and All Saints with St Helen's

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ALL SAINTS ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7th April 2014 AT 7.30 PM AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH, DEANSWAY, WORCESTER.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

Present: See Appendix A

Apologies: See Appendix B

The meeting opened with worship and prayer.

1. Minutes of Annual Meeting of Parishioners on 25th March 2013.

The minutes were accepted and signed as a true record.

Proposed by: Mary Bashford-Hayes **Seconded by:** Emma Pettifer

Vote: 49 in agreement **Abstentions:** 14 **Objections:** 0

2. Election of church Wardens.

Rich Johnson thanked Rosie Amess and Paul Wilcox for their work over the past year and presented them with gifts.

Nominations for Church Wardens were received as follows:

a) Paul Wilcox **Proposed by:** Mark Carrington **Seconded by:** Bev Dickens

b) Anita Marles **Proposed by:** Bev Dickens **Seconded by:** Colin Whitehead

As the nominations were uncontested Paul and Anita were duly elected.

This concluded the business of the first part of the meeting and those not on the Electoral Roll were permitted to stay as observers only.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Minutes of APCM on Monday 25th March 2013.

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

Proposed by: David Warren **Seconded by:** Bryn Hughes

Vote: 49 in agreement **Abstentions:** 14 **Objections:** 0

2. Matters arising from the minutes of the APCM Monday 25th March 2013.

None given.

3. Electoral Roll Report

The report of activity regarding the Electoral Roll was given by Jeanette Martin. At last year's meeting there were 149 on the roll. During the year there were 6 additions and 1 removed. In 2014 24 more names were added and 2 removed, giving a total of 176.

4. Finance report

The Treasurer, Grahame Lucas, thanked all who had assisted him throughout the year.

The key information from the Annual Report:

- Funds were up by 7K
- General Fund rose by 18K
- Giving increased by 17.5%
- CAP finances were improving
- Foodbank income was up by 10K with a reserve of 16K
- Funds set aside for maintenance and replacement 21k.the PCC had set a budget aimed at investing in new missions and ministry work.
- Costs were under control and we were investing in more.

Grahame explained that all the finance documents were available on the website, including the Annual Report and Church Budget and statement. There were also updates throughout the year via the PCC minutes and the quarterly financial review.

We were asked to pray to:

- Be able to fund new missions
- Continue to grow in faith and numbers
- Respond to the vision
- Develop capacity for mission and ministry.

Questions were then invited:

Alex New raised the issue of the arrears of £54k of Parish Share to the Diocese. Do we have to pay it at some point?

Rich explained that with 2 buildings in need of repairs and all we as a growing church needed to do, that if we were to pay the Parish Share in full now, it would be at the expense of achieving these aims. The Bishop and the Diocese were fully aware of our situation. In recent years we had been able to pay the parish share in full however in 2013 the amount of the parish share required had increased a lot and we were unable to pay the full amount. Other parishes found themselves in a similar situation. The bigger we are as a church, the more we have to pay. Tom Collins stated that the PCC has discussed in depth the Parish Share problem.

Rich then thanked Grahame for his work and dedication as Treasurer and presented gifts for him and Gilly.

Proposal: The APCM accept the audited accounts for 2013 as a true record.

Proposed by: Richard Colthurst **Seconded by:** Chris Pettifer

Vote: Unanimous agreement **Abstentions:** 0 **Objections:** 0

5. The appointment of an independent examiner for the year to December 2014.

Proposal: We appoint David Hibbett to be independent examiner.

Proposed by: Mary Bashford-Hayes **Seconded by:** Sarah Bardell

Vote: unanimous agreement **Abstentions:** 0 **Objections:** 0

6. Decisions relating to representation on the PCC.

There were no changes.

7. Election of PCC representatives.

There were 6 vacancies to be filled on the PCC this year and 2 places for Deanery synod representatives. Rich thanked the retiring members of the PCC and Deanery Synod. There were 6 candidates for the PCC and 2 candidates standing for election to the Deanery Synod. During this meeting the following were elected to serve.

3 Years: Andrea Burton, Rich Colthurst, Jean George, Peter Belham.

2 years: Tim Clack

1 Year: Ken Couper

The Deanery Synod representatives were Sarah Bardell & Robin Parry

8. Vicars Report

Rich started by giving a big thank you to all who served in the many areas in the life of the church, including the staff team, ministry leaders and the many who volunteer in a wide range of roles. Rich suggested that some of the key highlights for the year were:

- The Vision process and how so many contributed and engaged in the process.
- The relicensing of Paul Swann by the Bishop in September 2013. It was a joy to have him back on the team.
- The development of the Foodbank. Rich gave thanks to Colin Whitehead and the team of volunteers. Over 7000 local people have been fed since the start of the Foodbank in 2012.
- The growth of the CAP debt centre and an increase in the numbers being helped.
- The new Mission Partner strategy – a team have worked hard to clarify criteria and how were support our many Mission Partners

- The Heaslip family announcing an exciting church plant in Dublin. Rich explained that the PCC were working out how we can best partner with them and facilitate raising funds for this project.

Rich then addressed what he saw as the priorities for the next 12 months. He noted that we need to pick up the momentum and fresh energy – what he described as “pressing on and pressing in”. He said this meant everyone involved and with clear mission and vision planning. He reminded us that we will need to stretch our giving and were encouraged to pray more– a key to growth.

He then made two exciting announcements:

1. That there was provision in the budget this year for a Children & Families Worker to facilitate and develop the children’s work. This will be advertised nationally and an appointment made ideally for a September 2014.
2. That Owen Gallacher was to be joining the team as a new curate from July 2014 to replace Eoghan Heaslip.

Rev Eoghan Heaslip closed the meeting with prayers at 9.30pm.

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APPENDIX A**

Present:

Rosie Amess
John Bardell
Sarah Bardell
Mick Bashford-Hayes
Mary Bashford-Hayes
David Beacham
Carl Beards
Peter Belham
Andrea Burton
Mark Carrington
Mark Carwardine
Timothy Clack
Barry Collier
Tom Collins
Rachael Colthurst
Richard Colthurst
Ken Couper
Rosemary Davies
Sue Dickens
Bev Dickens
Ginny Duckett
Jean George
Ivanna Giles
Sally Gray
Gordon Griffiths
Pam Hart
William Harwood
Rebecca Heaslip
Alison Houghton
Paul Hudson
Rebecca Hudson
Andrew Jackman
Kath Johnson
Giles Joiner
Clive Langmead
Guy Laverack
Paul Long
Grahame Lucas
Anita Marles

Jeanette Martin
Bryn Matthews-Henry
Alex New
Tim O'Leary
Rhianne O' Rourke
Alan Penney
Barbara Penney
Chris Pettifer
Emma Pettifer
Joy Pollock
Janet Price
Andy Sheppard
Joe Sherwin
Nigel Simmons
Linda smith
Viv Swann
John Taylor
Veronica Tyrrell
John Warren
David Warren
Colin Whitehead
Janet Whitehead
Paul Wilcox

Those not on Electoral Roll:

Christina Shaw
Clare Anthony
Stuart Downward
Laura Handy
Rich Johnson
Jamie Knight
Richard Corral
Jenny Prigg
Russell West
Paul Prigg
Lauren Silvester
Kerry West
Paul Swann

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Apologies received:

Peter Amess
Jenny Beacham
Jennifer Belham
Pam Carardine
Dave Christmas
Heather Christmas
Joan Collier
Rosie Collins
Ted Duckett
Des George
Christopher Giles
Juliea Gonzalez
Leslie Gonzalez
Christine Haig
Louise Hamilton-glover
Judith Jackman
Stephanie Joiner
Rachel Kirwan
Patrick Kirwan
Carla Laverack
Ruth Long
Gillian Lucas
Bernard Martin
Steve O'Rourke
Tom Pollock
Geoff Pritchard
Margaret Rutter
Ruth Sheppard
Mark Stone
Sue Stone
Wendy Taylor
Jane Wilcox
Joyce Wright
Cecil Wright