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Minutes of Annual Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meetings held on
Wednesday, 10 April 2019 at 7.30pm in the Barnabas Rooms, St Paul’s Church,
Walton

ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

The Rev Rupert Martin welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially Jane Crossley
representing Joliffe Cork. Rupert read from Philippians 3 v10-15, led the meeting in a
short reflection saying that all of us are valued representatives of the body of Christ, and
followed by prayer concluding with The Lord’s Prayer.

1. ATTENDANCE and APOLOGIES: 30 members were in attendance with apologies from
Ann and Paul Brough, Janet Crossman, Mavis Easter, Susan Lee, Janet and Martin Porritt.

2. To disappoint the 6-year rule concerning the appointment of Churchwardens for this
year 2019-2020: Rupert gave a short explanation saying we wished to retain Craig Orr’s
invaluable services to the church for another year.
PROPOSED Joan Witts SECONDED Pauline Parker All in agreement

3. Appointment of Churchwardens:

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As we are allowed up to 4 Churchwardens and there were no further nominations, the
above named were accepted by the meeting for this coming year.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Attendance and apologies: As above.

2. Minutes of the APCM held on Wednesday 25 April 2018: These were read, agreed and
signed by Rupert.

3. Matters arising: None.

4. Vicar’s Report: To be found in the 2018 Annual Report. Accepted by the meeting.

5. Report on the Proceedings of the PCC: (i) Worship, (ii) Secretary’s Report - to be
found in the 2018 Annual Report. Accepted by the meeting.

6. To receive Reports on the Financial Affairs of the Parish, including:
   - Independently examined accounts of the Parochial Church Council
   - Independently examined statements of the funds and properties of the Parochial
     Church Council
   - Budget for 2019/2020
• Gift Aid
• Appointment of Auditors

The Spring Accounts: Jane Crossley took us through notable items in the accounts commenting on an increase in profits on last year, an increase in a donation to the PCC and purchases including a dishwasher for £2k and new chairs for £2k.

PCC Accounts showed an increase on last year in Collections, Gift Aid, CAP income - this last including large one-off donations. Expenses have included major bell repairs £7k+ and path approx. £4.5k, Parish Share increase by £6k and Quinquennial inspections, showing a net surplus just short of £19k. Major items from Capital Expenses included Roof Alarms, new heaters and new computers. The accounts showing very good results for 2018.

Rupert opened the meeting for questions, then thanked Jane for her explanations, and thanked the team of Janet Crossman, Andrea North, Anne Newby and John Saville. Rupert told the meeting Planned Giving had gone up with 131 registered giving with Gift Aid. The path and the bell repairs were funded from Kathleen Malham's legacy and there were many streams of income funding various ministries. This year a gift of £1k was given to a church in Sunderland led by the son-in-law and daughter of Martin and Janet Porritt, and we continued to increase our Parish Share, the excess of which goes to poorer parishes in the diocese.

PROPOSAL That the accounts be accepted
PROPOSED Roger Parker SECONDED Neale Clark All in favour

PROPOSAL That Joliffe Cork continue as Auditors
PROPOSED Andrea North SECONDED Margaret Walker All in favour

Rupert thanked the team for all their hard work and all who give generously to the parish.

7-10 These Reports can be found in the Annual Report 2018, the Deanery Synod Report being included separately. Rupert asked if it was the will of the meeting to accept these reports. All agreed.

11. Election of Deanery Synod Representatives: there were no new nominations to join Mike Keeton who continues as our lay representative.

12. Election of the members of the Parochial Church Council:

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Rupert introduced each of the candidates describing their work in the church. As these 8 filled all the available spaces within the PCC and there were no further nominations, the meeting agreed all 8 should be appointed to the PCC. Martin Porritt has retired as a
member of the PCC due to his illness, but still wishes to remain an advisor to the Treasury Team.

13. Appointment of Sidespersons:  (i) St Helen's - Sheila Handley, Gladys Hickman, Judith Parkin and Noreen Pinchen.  
(ii) St Paul's - Margaret Bedford, Barbara Brown, Teddy Foster, Jane Gibb, Bill and Carol Mackley, Lindsey Roe, Mavis Rowley, Margaret Wilson and Joan Witts. 
The meeting agreed to accept the appointments above with a show of hands. 

14. A.O.B.: None

15. Vicar's Vision Statement and closing prayers: Rupert began by showing on the screen photographs of a great number of Church activities during 2018, but reminded the meeting that not all ministries can be photographed. He showed: a blizzard, the bell repairs, walk of witness with the cross, the new plaque on the wall, baptisms at the Baptist Church, 10 confirmed by Bishop Nick with the Bishop of Hanover also a guest, Craig and Karen who run Fusion - the club held in Portobello for Asbergers' sufferers, African Connection Fund- raiser, Oasis in the summer with napkin rings made by Sandal Castle yr3 children, Jackie with a Vegan only tea, Women's Fellowship, Church graves and the repairers Graham and son, the Scarecrow Festival, servers, (St Paul's also having been opened for refreshments for the Walton Scarecrow Festival and Open Gardens), visit from John Kirby founder of CAP, Boogie Woogies, Catherine Lee, the Churchyard Wednesday team, Soul Portobello Day, light party at Portobello, Bell ringing team - there are now 6 people training with the team, CAP hampers with a team of 50+, Children's carols at both churches and at Portobello, Christingle, Volunteers' Tea at The Spring with 70 volunteers, Oasis Afternoon Tea, Sandal Castle children singing at the Spring Shrove Tuesday event, Families at 4, an aerial photo of The Tree of Life from a drone. Rupert then continued - if a leader is removed there is lateral growth; Jesus never said 'Go and make leaders who will lead my church', he did say 'Go and make disciples who will make disciples'. Rupert then expanded on this and concluded that this lateral movement depends on each one of us taking responsibility for our walk with Christ and our growing as disciples. He likened our church life to a triangle which points UP to God, OUT to the community and IN to each other. Examples of Outreach bubbling up: John Saville and the Churchyard together with school to create a 'Forest School', meals to be created at Portobello with activities and eaten by the children. Rupert acknowledged the work done by Pam Payling and told us that we have now let go of the Rainbow Hub and concentrated on funding needed to renew Portobello Community Centre, last renewed in 2008. The residents are not wanting to lead but wish to be on a Team. Sally has now stood down from Soul Portobello; Cath (Spring) and Sarah (CAP) involved in making meals in the holidays once a week with the children and eating together. PCF and CAP now to have their offices at the Community Centre. Make sure you read a copy of the Annual Review for more detailed accounts of activities. Rupert then changed focus to acknowledging and thanking various people who work within the church:
Jane Gibb - a faithful servant at St Paul's working behind the scenes in the kitchen at Boogie Woogie and many other occasions, and we pray for her recovery; Anne Newby - behind the scenes taking Minutes of the Standing Committee, cleaning St Helen's and The Spring, Grapevine assembler, bakes for the Churchyard Team and F@4; Liz Rowe- leads the Youth Group for up to 20 youngsters, works with Andy, intercessor; Marisa Kapp- Parish Administrator who manages the Fees, the Tree of Life, is available for people for pastoral care, heads up the team at Boogie Woogie at St Paul's, etc; Andy and Julie Owen- more than 25 years of leadership of children's groups, Andy working with Red Shed, assisting with Communion at St Helen's among other things. These people represent so many others.

Rupert then brought to the meeting those faithful members of the church who have died in this past year: Peggy Ritchie, Jean Hill, Betty Sleigh, Jim Hickman, Tony Pottage, Basil and Mair Lord, Victor Wiltshire, Candice Woodcock, Anne Strapps.

Rupert said 'Give thanks for all they have done in the life of the church and as we remember them we give thanks for the legacy they leave and the ongoing work of serving others which we carry on together.'

Sally then read a poem by Henri Neuen - The sea remains the sea.
Rupert then thanked Rose for her 8 years as PCC secretary and gave her a gift of flowers in a vase.

Rupert brought the meeting to a close with the saying of The Grace at 9.08pm.