

Sandal Magna APCM

25th May 2022

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 25th May 2022 at 7.30pm at St Paul's Church, Barnabas Rooms at 7.30pm

Craig welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared the opening reading and prayer:

Opening Reading

Romans 15v13 Oh may the God of green hope fill you up with joy, fill you up with peace, so that your believing lives, filled with the life-giving energy of the Holy Spirit, will brim over with hope!

Prayer

God of the Angel Armies, another year has come and gone and once again we gather for the Annual General Meeting of your Church.

Here we pause to remember the joys and our sorrows of the past 12 months, and we especially want to thank you for the end of the pandemic. (*pause*)

Here we pause to remember those whose lives we have celebrated as we said the last farewell of death, and they move onto glory. (*pause*)

Here we remember the highlights of this year: The culmination of Rupert and Sally's incredible sacrificial ministry in this place and the hope we have for the ministry of Hannah Smith. (*pause*)

Here we gather to look forward with great expectation to what the future has in store.

Lord, you know it has not always been easy, and I and the other leaders want to thank you that in difficult times you have given us the strength to carry on.

Now as we meet to discuss Kingdom business, we ask that unity would be our watchword and the holy spirit our guide.

May your Spirit move in our hearts, so that we listen to what each of us has to offer and bring us always to consider what you want us to do in this time and place.

Remind us that we are called to be bearers of Christ's life, light, and love to all we meet.

Help us to live in a way that draws others closer to our church vision

"With Jesus, the lost are found, the found grow, and the lonely are enfolded."

Amen.

Julian Gill led the first meeting

1 Attendance and apologies:

Apologies:	Margaret Walker	Caroline Rountree	Neale Clarke	Susan Lee
Attendance:	Teddy Foster	Anne Pratt	Brian Pratt	Anne Francos
	Rose Lee	Mike Keeton,	Julian Finn	Lynne Finn
	Viv Buckley	Craig Orr,	Richard Hughes	Julian Gill
	Helen Gill	Liz Morton	Paul brough	Frances Peace
	Chris Peace	Stephanie R	Joyce Bloomfield	Pam Payling
	John Payling	Andrea N	Gerard K. Jones	Alex Hull
	Judy Hull	John Saville	Sue Saville	Nigel Brook
	John Manners	Paul Brough	Viv Buckley	Marie Johnson
	Sylvia Slingsby	William Mackey	Roger Parker	Stephanie Rutherford

2 To disapply the rule and appoint Church Wardens

There are four places for church wardens, currently Craig Orr, Andrea North and Brian Pratt who are Standing again. Julian Finn has been nominated as the fourth warden

In order to reappoint two of the above again (Craig Orr and Brian Pratt) as Church Warden it is necessary To disapply the 6-year rule for 2022-2023.

Proposal: To disapply the 6-year rule concerning the appointment of Churchwardens for this year 2022-2023.

Proposed: Julian Gill

Seconded: Liz Morton

Abstentions: Viv Buckley

All else in favour

3. Appointment of Wardens

NAME	<u>NOMINATIONS</u> PROPOSER	SECONDER
Andrea North	Lynne Finn	Julian Finn
Craig Orr	Andrea North	Lynne Finn
Brian Pratt	Andrea North	Viv Buckley
Julian Finn	Brian Pratt	Julian Gill

Proposal: To elect the four Churchwardens proposed.
Proposed: Paul Brough
Seconded: Richard Hughes
Abstain None
All: in favour of the four church wardens being elected.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1 Attendance and apologies

As above

2 Minutes of the APCM held on 28.04.2021

Shared prior to the meeting

Proposal: To agree the minutes as a correct record of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 28th April 2021

Proposed: Viv Buckley

Seconded: Rose Lee

Abstentions: None

All in favour

3 Matters arising:

There were no matters arising.

4 Report on the Proceedings of the PCC

To be found in the APCM report

Proposal: To accept the report on the proceedings of the PCC as written in the report.

Proposer: Andrea North.

Seconded: Helen Gill

Abstentions: None

All: in favour

5 To receive reports on the Financial Affairs of the Parish including:

Before reporting Andrea paid tribute to Janet Crossman and the work she did for the finances of the church, keeping Church finances on track. Andrea commented that she often wished she could ask her opinion.

Andrea provided copies of the financial reports and then commented briefly offering further discussion with anyone who needed points clarifying. Andrea took us through key lines in the report(s) reporting on the ups and downs of the finances which can largely be attributed to the pandemic. We have set a cautious budget for 2022 and are being prudent in all areas. Andrea's notes are available to anyone who would like to consider them in more detail. She briefly considered the following:

- Independently examined accounts of the Parochial Church Council.
- Independently examined statements of the funds and properties of the Parochial Church Council.
- Budget for 2022 – has been accepted by the PCC
- Gift Aid
- Appointment of Auditors

The financial reports had been ratified by the PCC prior to this meeting.

Opportunity was given for queries to be raised.

The Church Finances are in good order and heading in the right direction as giving is picking up after the pandemic.

Proposal: That the accounts as presented be accepted.
Proposed : John Payling
Seconded : Nigel Brook
Abstentions: None
All in favour

Gift Aid - John Saville has been an excellent Gift Aid Officer for many years – we give him a huge thankyou for making upwards of £500,000 over the years! We are grateful to Nigel Brook who agreed to take over earlier this year.

Proposal: That Nigel Brook continues as the new Church Gift Aid Officer.
Proposed : Viv Buckley
Seconded : John Saville
Abstentions:
All in favour

Appointment of Auditors:

Proposal: That Joliffe Cork should continue as the auditor of the PCC Accounts.
Proposed : Lynne Finn
Seconded : Rose Lee
Abstentions: None
All in favour

Pam Payling gave a welcome vote of thanks for Andrea's hard work producing this report and throughout the year – all applauded shoeing their gratitude.

6 All other reports :

The Annual Review has been available on the website and provides a good read, reminding us of what the church has done and been involved in.

Brian made a comment on the Annual Parish Council report. He was very positive and expressed joy at all that had happened during the year. Covid and the interregnum have dominated the last year never the less the Church has moved on and come through the difficulties and are looking forward.

Families are starting to return and Sunday school has started. The interregnum was a steep learning curve, the work of a vicar is a tough one! Peace was maintained and people encouraged in their Christian work. We have developed safeguarding and policies and protocols of the church and continue to work on this improving all the time. We have a unified leadership team at the end of the year. Brian paid tribute to Ed and Viv's hard work in the recruitment of Hannah. Brian also thanked Angela Elphick (who left to take up different employment) for her spiritual role in the Church keeping us on track with the requirements of the C of E. She was invaluable in developing worship.

We honoured Peter Moulding and Janet Crossman for their role in parish life. Each member of our Church family

that have passed away this year made a unique contribution and we valued each one. We thank God for everyone. An interesting year full of blessings and surprises.

We look forward to Hannah arriving at the end of August to take the baton from Rupert and Sally and lead us on.

Proposal: That these reports should be accepted.
Proposed : Paul Brough
Seconded : John Saville
Abstentions: None
All in favour

John Saville thanked the leaders of our Church for doing a good job.

7 Election of the Deanery Synod Representatives:

Mike is in the last year of his 3 year period of office (one year to go), should anyone else wish to join the Deanery Synod, there is opportunity for this. Viv thanked Mike for keeping us updated on the work of the wider church and for his willingness to continue in his term of office.

Liz suggested that someone might be willing to go along with Mike to the meetings.

8 Election of the members of the Parochial Church Council:

Each year 5 PCC places come up for election. There are also 3 vacancies to be filled.

NAME	NOMINATIONS PROPOSER	SECONDER
Liz Morton	Mark Buckley	Viv Buckley
Caroline Rountree	Lynne Finn	Julian Finn
Nigel Brook	Julian Gill	Andrea North
John Arnold	Viv Buckley	Andrea North
Stephanie Rutherford	Anne Pratt	Ruth McCallum

As a Church we are grateful for the above parishioners being willing to serve on the PCC some for another term of office.

Proposal: To accept these five nominations

Proposed : Richard Hughes

Seconded : Rose Lee

Abstentions None

All in favour

9. Closing Prayer-Rose Lee

We said the grace together.

The formal meeting closed at 9.10pm