

Parish of Saffron Walden - Sharing God's love
Minutes of a PCC meeting in St Mary's Church
following the APCM at approximately 13:00 p.m. on Sunday 25th April 2021

Present: Rufus Barnes, David Birchall, Secretary: Lisa Brook, Gill Caswell, Paddy Carver, Rev'd Caroline Currer, Bron Ferland, Rev'd Paula Griffiths, Judith Hasler, Steve Hasler, Martin Hugall, Oli King, Anna Martin, Robin O'Neill, John Pickthorn, Jan Siewertsen, Noel Starr, Denis Tindley, Chairman: Rev'd Jeremy Trew, Clifford Want and Matt Williamson (21)

Apologies for absence: Richard Freeman, Edward Gildea, Shawn Martin, Tracey Nicholls, Hannah Razzell, Rev'd John Saxon

21/42. Welcome and apologies for absence

All members present were thanked for their support and apologies were received as above.

21/43. Co-option of members

Oli King was unanimously co-opted to the PCC by general acclamation.

21/44. Welcoming of representatives from daughter churches

Judith Hasler and Tracey Nicholls were welcomed as representatives of St James, Swards End and St John, Little Walden, respectively.

21/45. Election of vice-chair

Denis Tindley was unanimously elected as Vice Chair by show of hands.

21/46. Appointment of secretary

Lisa Brook was unanimously appointed secretary by show of hands.

21/47. Appointment of treasurer

David Birchall was unanimously appointed treasurer by show of hands.

21/48. Appointment of electoral roll officer

Clifford Want was unanimously appointed electoral roll officer by show of hands.

21/49. Appointment of four members to the standing committee

Last year, due to the vacancy, we appointed three lay members to the standing committee in addition to the two church wardens who are ex-officio members. With Jeremy's arrival as a further ex-officio member, if the existing members continue to serve we will have a standing committee of six. We therefore wish to appoint a further person so as to continue to have an odd number of members in the case of a vote. David Birchall, John Pickthorn, Paddy Carver and Clifford Want were duly appointed by show of hands.

21/50. Appointment of one member to the remuneration committee

Hannah Razzell was unanimously appointed to the remuneration committee by show of hands.

21/51. Appointment of a representative to team council

John Pickthorn was unanimously appointed to team council for a two-year term by show of hands.

21/52. Notices

The Rector spoke briefly about Hilary Walker's progress through the process for discernment for ordination, the next stage of which will be selection conference. We would like to put our support for her candidacy in place to enable her, if successful, to begin training this autumn. We may need to pass specific resolutions to confirm our support; Jeremy will investigate further to confirm if this is required and if so to liaise with the Secretary to arrange an additional PCC meeting if it would be necessary to do so earlier than the next planned meeting. The Rector hoped that in the future we will be able to resume socially distanced but in person meetings.

(Post meeting note – following the Annual Meetings the date of the next PCC meeting was moved to 7:45pm on Monday 7th June on Zoom in order to approve the roofing works in time for the next DAC meeting and additionally due to the Rector's absence on 16th)

21/53. Closing prayer