

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – The Vine Sheffield

28th April 2019 – 11:45am – St Stephen's Church Building

Vestry Meeting

1. Opening Prayer

2. Election of the Church Wardens – 2 nominations received: Stephen Hill, Paul Sheridan. Proposed by Stella, seconded by Dave Neath. Carried unanimously.

APCM

3. Apologies for absence – recorded on attendance list, which was circulated around the room

4. Minutes and Matters Arising from the A.P.C.M. held on 29th April 2018 – no corrections raised. Approved unanimously. No matters arising raised.

5. Elections to the Parochial Church Council – we were reminded that at The Vine, apart from clergy and Deanery Synod representatives, all members are re-elected each year.

9 spaces are available on The Vine PCC.

8 nominations received: Dave Neath, Vicki Neath, Ben Widdows, David Smith, Claire Law, Jonathan Smith, Gill Wier, Martin Horton.

Proposed – Steve Hill, seconded – Tim Hawkins. Unanimously agreed.

Will prayed for all PCC members. Very brief PCC meeting to be held after the APCM.

6. Annual Report on the Electoral Roll – new electoral role, as is required every 6 years (all members removed and a new roll created).

57 people in total, 33 not resident in parish and 24 resident in the parish.

7. Annual Report on the finances of The Vine Sheffield PCC, other funds and appointment of independent examiner – Sarah Smith emphasised the importance of all involved in handling money contributing to the year-round accountability that is required.

It was proposed that we retain Sarah Lightfoot as independent examiner next year. Joyce Huckle proposed, Steve Hill seconded, carried unanimously.

Sarah summarised the content of the financial report and invited any questions. Unusually, there is a surplus of £2000 in general funds, which will help to balance deficits in other years. She invited the church to be praying for the usage of the building.

No questions were received.

Sarah thanked all who have supported her over her time as treasurer.

Marianne lead thanks and prayers for all she has contributed, as she steps down.

Formal thanks were also offered by Will.

8. Annual reports from Church Groups and on the proceedings of the Deanery Synod – acceptance was proposed by Steve Hill, seconded by Rosanne Darmudas, accepted unanimously.

9. Annual Report from the Wardens on the Fabric of the Church – Steve drew attention to the written reports and offered specific thanks to several people: assistant wardens, Jackie – the church administrator – and the church cleaners. Highlighted the need for repairs to the crack in the Godly Play room for St Stephens and the long list of repairs needed at St Barts, on the back of the quinquennial report. Proposed Joyce Huckle, seconded Derek Peace, accepted unanimously.

10. Vicar's Report – Will referred to his written report and the points already raised during the report/sermon in the service.

A question was raised about the building redevelopment for St Barts and the existence of any existing plans. Architectural plans were drawn up in 2017 and a committee will meet to examine these and, if appropriate, propose an updated specification to an architect. Appropriate details will be shared with the wider church, as they are available.

Will asked for prayer for the current situation with the Diocese of Sheffield – we must move forward in faith and generosity.

Will was thanked for the overview delivered during the service.

Steve Hill proposed, Marianne Shelton seconded, unanimously accepted.

11. The Vine Sheffield Safeguarding policy – noted that the safeguarding policy is available on our website and Gill Wier is our safeguarding officer.

12. AOB – thanks and best wishes for Bolster family were proposed by Tim Hawkins, seconded by Ann Humphries, unanimously agreed.

Marianne requested that PCC clearly communicate ongoing discussions with the wider church.

Will mentioned the changes in the rhythm of PCC meetings, to allow deeper discussion in those meetings. Ann requested that PCC meeting minutes be posted in the church once ratified – this was taken on board, with the proviso that any confidential parts (relating to employees) cannot be shared.

13. Closing Prayer – Will opened up the room for prayers, then closed, in prayer, at 12:25pm.