

Minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting for Walton, Milton Keynes

PCC Attendees: Rev. Matt Trendall (Rector, Chair), Pat Sawyer (Churchwarden), Joyce Fennell (Secretary), Carolyn Sanderson (Deanery Synod rep), Ayokunnu Otunla, Ann Beaton, Lynn Atkinson.

Other attendees: Rev. Ruth Maxey, Rachael Jenkins, Sue Wilson, Alan Bird, Klaus Riedel, Alise Trendall, Stephanie Warren.

Apologies from PCC members: Rev. Keith Straughan (Associate Priest), Julia Davie (Outgoing Treasurer), Emma Tyler (Incoming Treasurer), Ray Holmwood & Roger Hancock (Churchwardens).

Apologies from others: Ros Bird, Jim Churcher, Julia Davie, Roger Taylor, Emma Tyler, Jo Watson.

1. **Minutes of 2018 APCM** – attached separately. No amendments were suggested. These were approved nem.con. as a true record of the previous APCM.

There are no matters arising not already covered in this evening's agenda.

2. **Note about individual churches' Annual Reports** – copies of individual church reports (St Mary's, All Saints and Christ the King Community Church) are available for other church members who wished to read them. Matt will happily forward them if requested.
3. **Note about 2018 accounts** – since the parish bank accounts are managed by the Ecumenical Partnership, these accounts will be presented separately (and approved) by the Partnership's Ecumenical Council. They are still currently being prepared and will be presented for approval to their next Council meeting in June.
4. **Note about election of churchwardens** – following established protocol, St Mary's and All Saints elect their churchwardens at their respective AGMs (although fully ecumenical, these congregations meet in the two Anglican church buildings, so it is most helpful to have parish wardens sited in these two locations. That said, the meeting ratified the elections of:
 - Ray Holmwood & Roger Hancock (St Mary's)
 - Pat Sawyer (All Saints) – there is still a vacancy for a 2nd churchwarden hereAll three ratifications were agreed nem. con.
5. **Election of PCC members 2017-20** – it was noted that since elections took place in 2017 for a 3-year period, it was only necessary to note changes:
 - Emma Tyler as the incoming Treasurer will replace Julia Davie as outgoing Treasurer.
 - Ayokunnu Otunla and Lynn Atkinson have joined as congregational reps, Bode Akinbiyi has moved away.
 - Carolyn Sanderson is now one of the congregational reps and no longer needs to be co-opted as Synod Rep

NB Only elected PCC representatives can vote on items 6 and 7

6. **Delegation of specified functions to the institutions of Walton Churches Partnership** – as is customary, day-to-day management of the Partnership is devolved from the PCC to the Local Ecumenical Partnership Council. This is presented to the APCM for their agreement each year. The PCC still meets occasionally to discuss any specifically Anglican business – all other matters related to mission and ministry are covered by the Partnership Council. The proposal was agreed nem.con.
7. **Safeguarding update and approval of 2019 policy** – since Safeguarding is managed at the LEP level and overseen by the ecumenical WCP Council, the full update, re-appointment of Rachael Jenkins as Safeguarding Officer and approval of 2019 policy was effected at the LEP AGM which immediately preceded the APCM. To 'belt and brace it' for this APCM, adopting the current policy was likewise agreed nem. con by this APCM. The full policy is on the WCP website for anyone to scrutinise.

8. **Broughton Trust Report** – Matt Trendall presented a short report as Treasurer for the Broughton Trustees, indicating which grants had been awarded in 2018, reminding the meeting that the aims of the Trust were missional, educational or charitable, and encouraging church members to make the Trustees aware of any suitable projects. It was noted that the Trust has made grant awards of £3,200 to Bridgebuilder Trust, £1,250 to Hope:MK and £750 to Poor's Coal Charity which alleviates fuel poverty in the Wavendon area. There is a significant capital sum available which the Trust hopes to use for a worthy cause(s) in the not-too-distant future.
9. **Current resolutions re: churchyards**
Matt requested support for 2 churchyard resolutions:
a. *'This PCC approves the landscaping of the section of Wavendon churchyard opposite the East End of the church – removing roots, levelling off and planting grass.'*
b. *'This PCC approves the removal of the Lime Tree in the SE corner of Wavendon churchyard, carried out by Tree Surgeon Gary Broderick and paid for by neighbour Ted Payton.'*
- Both resolutions were approved nem.con.
10. **AoB** – there was none.
11. Date of next PCC Meeting – agreed as Wednesday 19th June, to follow the main Ecumenical Council as normal.

The meeting closed with Compline at 9.15pm.

Matt Trendall