

Parish of Mortlake with East Sheen

Minutes of PCC Committees

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| COMMITTEE NAME: | DATE OF MEETING: |
| PCC | 29 June 2022 |

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| Present: |
| The Revd Canon Ann Nickson, the Revd Alex Barrow, Revd Matthew Watts, Jonathan Blythe, Celia Catchpole, Brenda Morris, Sarah Coggins, Robert Davenport, Adrienne Jack, Greg Kyle, Christine McGuinness, Patrick McLaughlin, Deirdre Munro, Francis Ring Davis, Cathy Sheldon, Mike Stewart, Ginny Waterkeyn, Kate Woodhouse, John Wright |

HEADLINES

| Agenda number | Headlines/ decisions action points | Action |
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| 3 | Mission Peace and Justice Committee to review the Environmental Policy | KW |

DETAILED MINUTES

| No | Item. |
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| 1 | <p>Welcome to members of the PCC and approval of the minutes</p> <p>AN Welcomed the new members of the PCC and Matthew Watts, the new Curate. The minutes for the Meeting 30th March 2022 were proposed by KW, seconded by GW and approved unanimously. The minutes for the Meeting 24th May 2022 were proposed by CC, seconded by FRD and approved unanimously.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were received from Sylvie Collins-Mayo, Neil Davis, Sheila Hamilton, Nicholas Rettie, Dilys Zeegan</p> |
| 3 | <p>Two Minute Items Nothing to Note</p> |
| 4 | <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Nothing to Note</p> |
| 5 | <p>Treasurers Report JB reported the budget was approved by F&P on 27 June 2022, it was then proposed by AJ, seconded by CC and approved unanimously by the PCC. The budget shows a third year of deficit (even though we have the very welcome contribution from 17 Sheen Gate Gardens rental). There has been a gradual decline in the Giving Scheme (although it remains robust and generous). The reason for the decline is people leaving the scheme either due to moving away from the area or sadly passing away. This has been a trend for some time now and, despite the admirable annual renewal campaigns the lower levels are becoming the norm. There is a need to prepare for the increased gas and electricity costs. Much of the expenditure has been on the houses which are now (or will be) in much better condition. The individual churches have been receiving legacies to add to their brought forward reserves. Residing outside the attached budget in 'legacy' and 'donations' accounts there are reserves of just over £240,000 on top of the Fabric fund of £405,000 (of which £295,000 is designated 'Christ Church preference'). The Diocese have requested that we revert to the pre-pandemic Parish Support Fund level over the next two years. F&P will be reviewing the 2023 pledge at the next meeting.</p> |
| 6 | <p>Mission, Peace and Justice KW recommended two new charities put forward by the MP&J committee for approval. Regenerate and East Sheen Chengannur Trust to be recommended for 2022 – 25. Proposed by KW, seconded by BM and unanimously approved by the PCC. KW reported MP&J recommends Crossroads, Richmond Homestart and Christmas Day Dinner as recipients of Christmas Angels proposed by KW, seconded by CM and approved unanimously. The MP&J will have further discussions on the environmental policy and reminds the Consultative Groups at each church to review policies.</p> |

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| 7 | Wider Church AB reported new Deacons were to be ordained this month. Ruth Mann, Diocesan Secretary thanked parishes for their pledges and paying them on time. |
| 8 | Parish Link AN reported content to include in the magazine is becoming increasingly more difficult to find and Anne Reeves who has assembled the content for many years is ready to retire from the role. Another form of advertisement showing upcoming events at church will be reviewed. AN and the PCC thanked Anne Reeves for all of her hard work over the years. |
| 9 | Diocesan Anti-Racism Charter: https://southwark.anglican.org/wpcontent/uploads/2021/03/Southwark-Anti-Racism-Charter-1.pdf AN requested the PCC to note the charter. MP&J Committee will review and make recommendations at the next PCC with an emphasis on Slavery and People Trafficking today. |
| 10 | Rectors Report AN thanked Revd Heather Peters and all that attended the Evensong marking Heather's last service. Revd Jonathan Haynes will be licensed on 6 September 2022, invitations will be sent out. Bethy, Christ Church organist has accepted a post in Florence. AN is actively recruiting. Richard and Hugh will conduct and play at Jonathan's licensing service. AN requested patience and understanding for a 'rocky patch' in July, August, and September. Olwen will be away, Sylvie has Covid so her ordination will not take place in time for her to cover. |
| 11 | Health and Safety Nothing to Note |
| 12 | Church Reports <u>All Saints</u> JW reported some of the lights have failed, the boiler has gone out leaving no hot water in the kitchen, the plumber and electrician have been to inspect, quote and the work has been started. <u>Christ Church</u> DM reported Christ Church had a good Holy Week and Easter with well attended services including Messy Church on Good Friday and the Daybreak service on Easter Day followed by breakfast in the Hall. We are very sorry to be losing the Rev'd Heather Peters at the end of the months even though we knew she would only be with us for 9 months. Her leaving services on Sunday were moving occasions and we were able to bid Heather farewell with gifts as tokens of our appreciation of her time with us over a difficult period, and to wish her well in her next challenge. We marked the occasion with a bring and share lunch following the 10.00 am service, as well as refreshment following Evensong. We are now looking forward to the arrival of the Rev'd Jonathan Haynes in early September and a new phase in the life of Christ Church. Our Director of Music, Bethy Reeves, will be leaving at the end of August to move on to exciting things in Italy and we will be marking her departure in due course. The Parish is actively seeking her replacement. Bethy has done many good things with music at Christ Church, and she will be missed. One of her initiatives has been the Recital Series. These concerts have been well attended and have drawn in people from the local community and further afield as well as Christ Church regulars. The next in the series is on Friday 1 July at 7.00 in Christ Church. We can report that Christ Church has been awarded an Eco Church bronze award and we will now be working hard towards a silver; a far harder challenge but we believe achievable eventually. <u>St Mary's</u> GK welcomed Revd Matthew Watts and reported an environmental survey was carried out at St Mary's. There was a well-attended lovely Jubilee service and celebration. |
| 11 | Parish Wardens Report CC and BM reported the lease for 17 SGG had been signed. Revd Jonathan Haynes is to live at the Vicarage in Kew with his wife and their children. Holiday at Home has been well subscribed. |
| 5 | The meeting ended with the Grace at 9.10pm |
| | Date of Next Meeting Wednesday, 28th September 2022 at 8.00pm |