

# Parish of Mortlake with East Sheen

## Minutes of PCC Committees

COMMITTEE NAME:	DATE OF MEETING:
PCC	29 November 2022

Present:
The Revd Canon Ann Nickson, Jon Blyth, Revd Alex Barrow, Revd Jonathan Haynes, Brenda Morris, David Bradshaw, Greg Kyle, Christine McGuinness, Deirdre Munro, Nicholas Rettie, Francis Ring-Davies, Kate Woodhouse, John Wright, Dilys Zeegen

### HEADLINES

Agenda number	Headlines/ decisions action points	Action
3	Quotes and advice are being sought to upgrade the websites keeping the three churches uniform and under the parish website. AS have received a promised donation for upgrading of the AS website.	CRC and JW
6	The Committee had approved a shortened version of the Anti-Racism Charter from the Diocese, AN suggested that it should be shortened further to one side of A4 with bullet points. The Committee will bring this to the next meeting of the PCC.	KW
6	It was agreed that the PCC will request the Deanery Synod to forward to Diocesan Synod the motion that the Diocese should disinvestment of from fossil fuels.	KW and AB
12	CCCG request approval for the application for a faculty for the installation of a defibrillator within the external south porch of Christ Church proposed by JH, seconded by NR and agreed unanimously.	
12	CCCG request approval for the application for a faculty for the pruning of several trees within the Christ Church gardens – 2 no. yews, the pine tree, and the fig bush proposed by DM, seconded by NR and agreed unanimously.	

### DETAILED MINUTES

No	Item.	
1	<b>Welcome to members of the PCC and approval of the minutes</b> The minutes for the meeting 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2022 were proposed by KW, seconded by BM and approved unanimously.	
2	<b>Apologies for absence</b> Apologies were received from Celia Catchpole, Sylvie Collins-Mayo, Sarah Coggins, Robert Davenport, Sheila Hamilton, Adrienne Jack, Helen Judith Robinson, Cathy Sheldon, Mireille Stanton, Mike Stewart, Ginny Waterkeyn, Revd Matthew Watts, Jan Wright	
3	<b>Two Minute Items</b> JW reported a promised donation has been received to upgrade the All Saints website. Quotes and advice are being sought to upgrade the All Saints website, keeping in mind the three churches websites should be uniform under the parish website.	
4	<b>Matters Arising</b> AN reported the Parish Christmas Day lunch is not going ahead. The Dark Days Event will be a Sound of Music Sing Along held the 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 in the evening all are welcome to attend. Three speakers have been secured for the Lent Lectures following the theme Theology in the Arts; Rob Gillion, Roger Wagner and Peter Graystone will present	
5	<b>Treasurers Report</b> JB reported Planned Giving has been successful in all three churches with an increase of about 3% however there are losses from a decrease in the congregations. The Budget for 2022 shows a deficit on the General Account amounting to £17,000. With the actual outcome is likely to be a deficit of £25,000+. The Diocese has awarded an Energy Grant of £1400 to the Parish. A £15,000 Living Legacy has been given to the Parish with a goal of improving the insulation of the parish houses.	
6	<b>Mission, Peace and Justice</b> KW reported the environmental policies in the churches should be reviewed twice per year at Church Consultative meetings the first meeting should be a reminder and the second to discuss actions. The Anti-Racism Charter from the Diocese was circulated KW proposed, DM seconded, and the charter was accepted by all. PCC requests the Deanery Synod to add the disinvestment of fossil fuels to the next agenda to go forward the Diocese.	

6	<b>Wider Church</b> AB reported Fr Stuart Lee has left the Alms Houses. Neil Summers from St John the Divine Richmond has retired. The Bishop of Kingston has retired and new Bishop is to	
	be consecrated at Candlemas. Revd James Marston is the new Associate Priest in Barnes. AN reported Revd Frances Forward passed away 29 November the parish send prayers for her and her family. The next Deanery Synod meeting will by Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 beginning, 7.30pm start at Christ Church East Sheen.	
7	<b>Rectors Report</b> AN reported the search for a new Parish Architect is ongoing.	
11	<b>Health and Safety</b> JW reported All Saints used a cherry picker for the addition of high level electronics which was a safe and cost effective way to carry out work needed at high levels of the church.	
12	<p><b>Church Reports</b></p> <p><u>All Saints</u> JW reported update to the lighting has been completed. The Concert series is underway. The Flower Team has had a training session following the agreement to only use biodegradable floral foam. JW thanked AR for arranging the poppy wreaths for Remembrance Sunday.</p> <p><u>Christ Church</u> JH reported O2 have requested to put a cell tower mast in CC tower. It was suggested JH explore the feelings of the community with emphasis on the local school and nursery before a decision can be made. DM reported some water ingress to the church caused by blocked gutters, the gutters were cleared.</p> <p>CCCG request approval for the application for a faculty for the pruning of several trees within the Christ Church gardens – 2 no. yews, the pine tree, and the fig bush proposed by DM, seconded by NR and agreed unanimously.</p> <p>CCCG request approval for the application for a faculty for the installation of a defibrillator within the external south porch of Christ Church proposed by JH, seconded by NR and agreed unanimously.</p> <p><u>St Mary's</u> GK reported the Good Box at St Mary's will be collected for an update and to raise the donation amount from £5 to £10. The SM Consultative and architect have ongoing discussions concerning the kitchen and doors. SM and MCA have started a Warm Soup Club on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at Mortlake Hall.</p>	
11	<p><b>Parish Wardens Report</b> BM reported there has been some redecoration to 17 Sheen Gate Gardens to touch up the stained paint after the repairs to the leak in the bathtub, there was some back Council Tax to pay during the vacancy and the gas safety certificate and annual boiler service have been scheduled. There has been further water ingress to 86 East Sheen Avenue due to a blocked gutter, the gutters were cleared a month ago, the roofer has suggested clearing the gutters again in December after all of the leaves have fallen. 5 Vernon Road a new garden shed has been approved by F&amp;P and will be ordered, MW will erect the garden shed himself. MW has been given some new laminate and has requested to replace the kitchen floor which is in a bad state. He will supply the donated laminate and the parish will pay for the labour to install the new flooring. CC reported on the Wigan Trust Properties. The Old Sea Scouts Hall; The Mortlake School of Dance have been sent a draft for the renewal of their annual lease at the new hourly rate of £13 and will sign once their Christmas show is over. The Finance and Property committee have agreed that The New Stepping Stones Playgroup should be allowed to invite The Barnes Summer Playgroup to run a Mortlake Summer Playgroup in the hall from July 24 to August 25 this year. NSSP hope that offering summer cover will make them more attractive to working parents. The summer playgroup will have their own insurance and will follow the same safeguarding rules as NSSP. The Wigan Trust will receive £1500 of the rent and NSSP £250 (for acting as letting agents). The hut would otherwise be empty. A new plastic door has been installed. Work to stop leaks continues. The Guides' Lease; The Diocese have given permission for us to go ahead with a new 7-year repairing lease for the Guides at £700 p.a. It is being drawn up by our solicitor. The Scouts' Lease; The Scouts have been told that we cannot accept rent of less than £700. They are appointing a solicitor to deal with their new lease.</p>	
5	The meeting ended with the Grace at 8.42pm	
	<b>Date of Next Meeting Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 8pm at St Mary's</b>	