

Diocese of Exeter – Parish of West Teignmouth [St James the Less]

Annual Parochial Church Meeting, following on from the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Church Wardens

Sunday, 11 October 2020 in Church at 11.20 am

Present: Joyce, Annal, the Revd Dr Sue Astbury, Pam Bridger, Arthur Brooks, Penny Brooks, James Chivers, Val Clough, Anita Cooper, Caryl Hammond, Andrew Harding, Anne Harding, Angela Healy, Kerstin Jones, Hazel Lott, Paul Malyn, Mary Prior, the Revd James Quin, Tricia Stuckey, Anna Venables, Freda Welton, Peter Wood and Di Wrightson.

Apologies were received on behalf of Monica Daymon, Ray Handley, Emma Jackson, Carol Stevens and Annie Williams.

- ² The Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 April 2019, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Revd Dr Sue Astbury.
- The Revd Dr Sue Astbury thanked everyone for their contribution to the life and witness to the church over the past year. Particular thanks given to Penny Brooks, Val Clough and Mary Prior [retiring PCC members]
- ⁴ Presentation of Electoral Roll Report
 - Pam Bridger [Electoral Roll Officer] stated: At the APCM held on Sunday, 28 April 2019 there were 57 names on Electoral Roll. Since then one name has been added, none have moved away, and four people have died. Today the Electoral Roll stands at 54. [copy filed with Minutes]
 - It was agreed nem. con. at meeting for details to be displayed on the PCC Noticeboard in the West Tower entrance to building.
- Presentation of Annual Report and Financial Accounts until 31–12–2019 These details were approved by PCC earlier in the year and then signed by the Revd Roderick Withnell on 23–03–2020; before being submitted to the diocese.
 - It was agreed nem. con. at meeting for these to be adopted [copy filed with Minutes]
- 6 Election of Deanery Synod representatives [Triennial 2020 2023]

Anna Venables, nominated by Peter Wood, seconded by Joyce Annal; agreed nem. con. Peter Wood, nominated by Anna Venables, seconded by Monica Daymon; agreed nem. con.

- It was agreed nem. con. at meeting for Sue Harvey to continue as Safeguarding Coordinator
- 8 PCC Members Five nominations were received for six vacancies:

James Chivers, nominated by Peter Wood, seconded by Val Clough; agreed nem. con. Caryl Hammond, nominated by Val Clough, seconded by Peter Wood; agreed nem. con. nominated by Val Clough, seconded by Peter Wood; Paul Malyn, agreed nem. con. Carol Stevens, nominated by Val Clough, seconded by Emma Jackson; agreed nem. con. Di Wrightson, nominated by Pam Bridger, seconded by Tricia Stuckey; agreed nem. con. All nomination forms filed with Minutes

⁹ It was agreed nem. con. at meeting for Independent Examiner to be via Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

¹⁰ Any Other Business:

A vote of thanks on behalf of the congregation was given to the Revd Dr Sue Astbury, the Revd Jane Frost and all the other members of the Ministry Team for their efforts to continue 'the preaching of the gospel afresh to each generation' during this time of lockdown, and the 'new normal' as a consequence of the corona virus pandemic; endorsed by warm applause by members present at meeting

Before closing the meeting the Revd Dr Sue Astbury commissioned all who had been elected in to post:

St Paul, writing to the Christians in Rome says, 'For as in one body we have many members, and not all members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members of one another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us [Romans 12: 4-6a].

People of God, Christ invites each of us to faithful discipleship and service. We are all called to different ministries as we seek to live God's love. As we commission these people today, let us commit to support them and each be faithful in our own calling. Living God, draw us deeper into your love; Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve; Holy Spirt, make us heralds of the good news. Stir us, strengthen us, teach us and inspire us to live your love with generosity and joy, imagination and courage; for the sake of your world and in the name of Jesus. Amen.

With there being no other business, the Annual Parochial Church Meeting closed at 11.30 am