All Saints PCC Minutes May 21st 2019

Present

Rev Canon Jo Loveridge (chair), Colin Bird and Julia Gough (Churchwardens), Andrew Bellfield, Nerine Chalmers, Fiona Earle, Martin Penny, Mary Penny (Sec.)

Prayer and reflection led by NC.

Apologies

The following sent apologies. Dorothy Toyn, Cheryl Massey Rosemary Bolton, Wendell Newbold, Ann Stephens-Jones, Jonathan Bates, Andrew Povey-Richards and Janet Bird.

Co-options

There were 2 people co-opted onto the PCC, Shanti Gordon (Safeguarding Officer) and Janet Oldham, who were both present at the meeting.

Minutes of last Meeting

These were accepted and signed.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

PCC annual business cycle.

This was briefly outlined and a question, What is MAP was answered as this being a Mission Action Plan, represented currently as our Sustainability and Succession work.

Sustainability

JL introduced this to new members and handed over to CB who provided a short update. JL commissioned the whole PCC to think about what we could do and also about what we might stop doing (thus freeing time and resources).

Succession

Martin introduced the idea of a skills audit aimed at finding the skills we need and will need in the future. There may be skills in the community available to All Saints eg financial, or management of buildings. He will formulate this as a short questionnaire which will come to the next PCC.

Working groups of the PCC

These are broadly to do Finance (Jonathan Bates, Colin Bird Julia Gough and Tony James), Events (Dorothy Toyn, Nerine Chalmers and Janet Bird) and Fabric Julia Gough and the Work Party.

Events Calendar

Nerine outlined how ideas turn into a stream of varied events both social and spiritual. She emphasised that All Saints is more than a building and is also a church family (quoting the sermon

just before the APCM) and drew attention to such events as Easter Journey and Thy Kingdom Come. Martin confirmed that dates are now on the website. JL thanked Nerine for this work.

Safeguarding

The new Safeguarding Officer reported that there have been no incidents, and that she is working with Richard Toyn the co-ordinator of Sidespeople so that the PCC can be satisfied that they know how to respond if approached during their duty at the West Door by a child or vulnerable adult in distress.

Health and Safety

The PCC did not receive a report of any incident but at the meeting information was shared regarding a visiting family member who fell at the chancel steps after coming to the altar on the evening of May5th for a blessing. The PCC asked the Secretary to enquire where the reporting book is kept.

AOB

It was reported that the Hall Lighting work is now completed. The swift bird boxes are now erected with a "call" system to attract residents. The subject of the rise in the electricity bill is to be carried over to the next PCC meeting.

Legacy; This is in 2 parts. The first is directly for the choir and we need to be careful how we use it as it is ring-fenced. The second is a gift from a recipient of another part of the same legacy which is restricted to our Fabric Fund.

The meeting ended with The Grace at 9.35