

# All Saints PCC Minutes April 8<sup>th</sup> 2019

Present: Rosemary Bolton (chair) Rev Jo Loveridge Dorothy Toyn Julia Gough Marion Hassell Janet Bird Colin Bird Mary Penny Andrew Povey-Richards Nerine Chalmers Martin Penny Ann Stephens-Jones Andrew Bellfield Wendell Newbold Cheryl Massey.

Apologies: Janet Oldham Jonathan Bates

JL opened the meeting with a reading.

The minutes of the previous meeting were checked, approved and signed.

There was one matter arising from the minutes; that of research by DT of a possible defibrillator for the use of All Saints. Voiced instructions are standard; there is a lively 2<sup>nd</sup>-hand market which prices a defibrillator at about £200. We have a form to apply for a grant and we then should decide where to place this item within the church.

Safeguarding. The PCC approved recent additions to the Policy Folder, and recognised that the policy should be reviewed, minuted and dated every year with the date of review shown on the policy. No incidents have been recorded. Helen Harvey-Wright (retiring Lead Recruiter) emphasised the need to know who is DBS cleared, and also that Childline posters in St John's Hall and All Saints Church need to be at eye level of a child.

The PCC thanked Helen for her work in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults and welcomed her offer to be the deputy to our new Lead Recruiter, Shanti Gordon.

Shanti Gordon accepted the PCC's proposal that she be our Safeguarding Lead Recruiter, and her photograph will be taken as part of the new PCC photos after the APCM. There will also be a copy of it in the Policy to aid identification.

Helen and Shanti left the meeting.

Colin Bird asked the PCC to approve the Statutory Accounts of which the PCC are Trustees. This was done and Rev Jo offered a fulsome thankyou to Colin. Other activities accounts detail will come to the APCM and CB briefly outlined how they stand. None are cause for concern at present.

CB drew the PCC's attention to the 2019 Budget which predicts a serious deficit of over £18,000.

Update on the Sustainability Project was introduced by Martin Penny reminding the PCC of our responsibility as Trustees. He and Colin Bird outlined options being analysed on ways forward and there was a lively discussion. PCC wants more information and requested the Memorial Fund trustees to cover anticipated expenditure of £3,500 on further analysis.

The Health and Safety officer had nothing to report.

AOB: Question about availability of Large Print Service Books etc which were needed but could not be found. Martin P offered to help find the box containing the missing material that he made some time ago. We can buy more large print Common Praise of which we have 4 for congregational use, and Martin reported that they are currently out of print and will be about £25 each.

The PCC thanked Marion Hassell for her years of service and nomination forms were distributed as preparation for the APCM on 28<sup>th</sup> April. Reports from church groups have been gathered and made available to be read in 2 folders in church and on the website.

The PCC approved Nerine Chalmers as a Chalice Assistant and to make Home Visits.

The meeting ended with The Grace.

Next meeting of the PCC will be May 21<sup>st</sup> 2019