



**ST OSWALD'S LOWER PEOVER
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
MEETING OF PARISHIONERS**

Wednesday 19th May 2021

**This meeting was held in the church and followed on from a service of evening prayer.
Covid regulations were followed.**

Meeting 1

Father Murray Aldridge -Collins opened the meeting with prayer.
Nineteen parishioners were present; apologies were received from Lynda Boag- Munroe.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 28th October 2020 had been circulated and displayed for the statutory period. Copies had also been available online. David Spencer proposed and Norman Withenshaw seconded that the minutes be accepted as a true record.

ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Two nominations had been received for the post of churchwarden. Both Mr Keith Phillips and Mr Rodney Fowler have agreed to stand as churchwardens.

Rodney Fowler was proposed by Mandy Spencer and seconded by Brian Drye. All were in favour.

Mr Keith Phillips was proposed by Brian Drye and seconded by Joan Drye. All were in favour.

Thanks on behalf of the parish were offered to the churchwardens for their service and ministry. Father Murray expressed his personal thanks for their dedication to the job since his arrival in the parish.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted as Wednesday 27th April 2022 at 8pm. Venue to be confirmed

The meeting closed with prayer at 8.04pm.

Meeting 2

ST OSWALD'S LOWER PEOVER PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

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The vicar and nineteen parishioners were present; Apologies were received from Lynda Boag- Munroe.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday October 2020 had been displayed for the statutory period and had been circulated and made available online. Norman Withenshaw proposed and Jonty Geake seconded that the minutes be accepted as a true record. All agreed

VICAR'S REPORT

Father Murray read out the vicar's report

On behalf of all the PCC, Norman thanked Father Murray for his ministry to St. Oswald's church throughout this very strange year.

ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT

Mr Jonty Geake reported that there are presently 170 souls on the electoral roll, of which 63 are resident in the parish and 107 are non-resident. Thanks were expressed to Jonty for all his hard work with overseeing the roll and keeping it in good order

CONSTITUTION OF THE PCC

The work of the PCC has continued despite Covid lockdowns and restrictions on face to face meetings. The standing committee and PCC have met as required via Zoom.

There are presently 18 members on the PCC apart from the vicar. Gerald Coates continues to act as Vice Chair and Pam Adlington continues to act as Hon Assistant warden. Pam was thanked for her wonderful work with the altar linen. Ann Barlow, Keith Phillips, Rodney Fowler and Mandy Spencer are ex officio members, being lay reader, churchwardens and deanery synod rep respectively.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial statement and report were written by Colin Gidman. The accounts had been formally approved by the PCC. Colin was thanked for his diligence and great dedication. Paul Edwards was thanked for auditing the accounts.

FABRIC/CHURCH WARDENS REPORT

The fabric report was written by Keith Phillips and Rodney Fowler.

Father Murray thanked the wardens for all their work in making everything operate so smoothly.

Keith added that the quinquennial report has been received and stated that there were no immediate or urgent repairs to the fabric of the church. This was good news.

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT

Mandy wrote gave a brief report about the Deanery Synod. The deanery synod has been in a state of flux.

Thanks to Mandy for her continued support and representation at synod.

ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report was written by Mrs Felicity Wilshaw.

The vicar thanked the secretary for her hard work throughout the year,

SCHOOL GOVERNORS REPORT

The report was written by Louise Lawton. Father Murray stated that there are better links with the church which will be reflected in following the church's liturgy in school and contributing to church services. Thank you to all the governors for their work. A new foundation governor is needed and PCC members were asked to consider this.

ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Deanery Synod Representatives

Thanks to Mrs Mandy Spencer for her continued support and representation at synod. Mandy confirmed that she is willing to continue in this role .Thanks to Mandy for her ministry representing the parish at synod in this role.

Election of Parochial Church Council Members

The PCC remains much the same as in the previous APCM. There are currently 18 members -listed as appendix 1 Gerald Coates has kindly continued to act as vice chair and Pam Adlington has also continued to act as Hon Assistant warden. Ann Barlow, Keith Phillips, Rodney Fowler and Mandy Spencer are ex officio members being lay reader, churchwardens and deanery synod representatives respectively.

The following, having indicated that they wish to stand again, are required to be re-elected -Jonty Geake, Gail Longinotti, Brian Drye and George Dutton. It was proposed by Felicity Wilshaw and David Spencer that they all be re-elected en bloc. All agreed.

Thanks to all the PCC for attending previous meetings whether physically or via zoom and for their contributions to the life and mission of St. Oswald's especially during the pandemic.

Sidespersons

There are 19 sidespersons .Thanks to all the sidespersons for their continuing work and for the ministry of the team. A welcoming ministry is fundamental to a good experience of the life of the church. The sidespersons will be elected at the next PCC meeting.

Independent Examiner

The current Independent Examiner is Mr Paul Edwards. Colin will approach Paul and ask whether he wishes to be reappointed as auditor.

The meeting finished at 8.27 pm

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