

ST MARY'S CHURCH ALLITHWAITE

Minutes of meetings held on Tuesday October 20th at 7.30pm via Zoom

1. **Opening Prayer** Rev. James Bruce, Team Rector, chairing the meeting, opened with a prayer thanking God for the past year, and praying for God to build his church as we build his disciples.
2. **Members Present** 24 Parishioners and members of the Electoral Roll
3. **Apologies** were received from C & M Hull, P & C Rowsell

Annual Vestry Meeting

4. **Minutes of the AVM held on 28th April 2019**
The published minutes of this meeting were accepted unanimously as a true record by those present, and signed (virtually) by the Chairman.
5. **Appointment of Churchwardens**
Two nominations for Churchwarden: Michael Jackson and John Lanham were unanimously approved by the meeting.
The chairman thanked MJ for all his work as churchwarden over the particularly difficult year.

Annual Parish Church Meeting

6. **Minutes of the APCM held on 28th April 2019**
The published minutes of this meeting were accepted unanimously as a true record by those present, and signed (virtually) by the Chairman.
7. **Reports**
 - i. Electoral Roll: It was reported that there were 87 people on the updated Electoral Roll.
 - ii. Annual Report: Copies of the Annual Report had been made available in advance of the meeting. The Chairman thanked all the people who had contributed to the report, and all those who contributed so much to the life of the Church.
 - iii. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report and the audited accounts had been prepared and made available in advance of the meeting.
The Treasurer reported that although 2019 had seen income in line with budget, there was likely to be a shortfall in 2020 of possibly £4K, due to the loss of weekly giving and envelopes in the current situation. It was agreed to encourage people to pay by standing order if at all possible and to highlight this at Sunday services.
 - iv. Adoption of Accounts:
Proposed by Michael Fieldhouse, seconded by Jim Bloomer and agreed unanimously.
8. **Elections**
 - i. Deanery Synod Representative: There were 2 nominations for the 2 vacancies: John Tindale and Janice Tindale. These were approved unanimously
 - ii. PCC members: There were 2 nominations for the 4 vacancies on the PCC: Julie Lanham and Elaine Baldry. These were elected unanimously by the meeting, to serve for 3 years.

9. Appointments

- i. Sidespersons and Sacristans: the attached list was approved by the meeting, although it was recognised that it would be updated to hopefully include extra people
- ii. External Auditor: the re-appointment of Stephen Nelson was proposed by John Tindale, seconded by Michael Jackson and approved unanimously.

It was recognised that Stephen had carried out this role for many years now, and it would be appropriate to make a gift. John Tindale and Jim Bloomer agreed to come up with a suggestion.

10. Any Other Business

In his closing remarks the Chairman thanked all the members of the PCC, those who had led services, and others who had contributed to the work of the church over the past year. On behalf of the meeting he particularly wished to thank Alan and Chris Jones for their work and commitment to the life of the church over many years. They will be sorely missed as they plan to move on in the near future.

11. Date of Next PCC Meeting Thursday 12th November at 7.30pm