

St John the Evangelist, East Dulwich
ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS
and
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the above meetings will be held via Zoom
on
Sunday, 15th November 2020 at 3.00 p.m.

AGENDA

Annual Meeting of Parishioners

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of Parishioners
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Appointment of Churchwardens

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the previous Annual Parochial Church Meeting (24 March 2019)
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Electoral Roll Statistics
5. Election Procedures
6. Election of Members to the Deanery Synod
7. Election of Members to the Parochial Church Council
8. Appointment of Independent Examiner or Auditor to the Parochial Church Council
9. To receive the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2019
10. To receive the Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2019
11. Any Other Business
(Please let the Vicar know at least one week prior to the meeting if you wish to raise any other business, providing brief details).

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St John the Evangelist, East Dulwich

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners held on Sunday, 24 March 2019 in the church

The meeting was chaired by Revd. Gill O'Neill and there were about 32 people present.

Revd. Gill O'Neill, the Vicar, welcomed everyone to the meeting and, after an opening prayer, explained that this was the first of two meetings. Its purpose was to elect the Churchwardens for the coming year. It is a public meeting. Anyone whose name is on the church electoral roll is entitled to vote, as are all residents in the parish who are also on the register of local government electors. It would be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at which only those currently on the church electoral roll could vote.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Christine Abbott, Maureen Abbott, Andrew Black, Clare Brown, Robert Brown, Rev. Anne Clarke, Olivia Coates, Anne Coates, Natasha D'Souza, Martin Howell, Sue Lock, Revd. Alistair McCulloch, Gill Nash, Claire Nylander, Aro Nylander, Keith Watson, Karlene Watson, Ben Vertannes, Deepthi Wickremasinghe, Laura Williams and Bradley Collins.

2. Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting of Parishioners

The Minutes of the meeting on 22 April 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising

4. Appointment of Churchwardens

Two nominations to re-elect the current Churchwardens had been received prior to the meeting:

James Nurton	proposed by: Martin Howell	seconded by: Elizabeth Stanton
Julie Whitney	proposed by: Christine Camplin	seconded by: Louise Pollard

There being no further nominations, Gill O'Neill proposed they be accepted. This was agreed, so Jim and Julie were duly appointed.

There being no further business Gill O'Neill declared the meeting closed.

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Bradley Collins, Electoral Roll Officer

2. Minutes of the previous Annual Parochial Church Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting on 22 April 2018 were approved and signed as a true record.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising

4. Electoral Roll Statistics

Brad Collins, Electoral Roll Officer, reported that a complete revision of the Electoral Roll had been undertaken during the period 21 January to 9 March 2019. On completion there were 137 names on the Roll of whom 45 (33 %) were resident within the parish and 93 (67 %) lived outside the parish. 143 names (61 resident; 82 non-resident) on the 2018 Roll do not appear on the current Roll.

Gill O'Neill proposed that the new roll be accepted; seconded by Sarah Goudge. This was agreed. Since the closure of the Roll one additional name has been submitted and will be added. Gill encouraged people to complete a form if they had not had the chance to do so.

There is inevitably a large loss every 6 years when a new Roll is created. (137 names were removed in 2007.) The parish also has a very mobile population.

5. Election Procedures

Gill thanked those who had completed their terms of office: Christine Camplin, Natasha D'Souza, Martin Howell and Gill Nash.

As the Electoral Roll has now dropped below 200 we should have a maximum of 12 elected members on the PCC; above that threshold, 15. As nine lay members now remained, there were vacancies for three full-term (3 year) PCC members. Additional nominations could be made at the meeting and if they exceeded the number of vacancies an election would be held by secret ballot.

The Parish Profile prepared in 2015 contained the following sentences:

"The PCC is elected on a three-year rolling basis, a third being elected each year. We have recently agreed that PCC members can opt to be re-elected for one term but then will have to stand down for at least a year."

This amendment should have been agreed at the APCM but, for various reasons, there is no record in the APCM minutes. The Parish Profile itself was agreed by the PCC on 22 January 2016.

Though we aim to encourage the active engagement of as wide a range of the congregation as possible this change would enable continuity in key roles and projects such as PCC Treasurer, Secretary or Stewardship Secretary. In order to have the amendment to the original local rule on record, Gill asked for the following statement to be accepted. This was agreed.

PCC members hold office from the conclusion of the annual meeting at which they were elected until the conclusion of the third annual meeting thereafter. They may stand for re-election for a further 3-year term but must then stand down for at least a year before being eligible for re-election.

There were no Deanery Synod elections; the next one is in 2020.

6. Election of Members to the Parochial Church Council

Three candidates had been proposed and seconded prior to the meeting.

Martin Howell	proposed by: Julie Whitney	seconded by: Jenever Anglin
Christine Camplin	proposed by: James Nurton	seconded by: Clare Brown
Gill Nash	proposed by: Susan O'Neill	seconded by: Julie Whitney

There being no further nominations, Gill O'Neill proposed they be duly elected; this was agreed.

The first meeting of the new PCC will take place on Wednesday 3 April 2019 after the 7.30 p.m. Mass.

7. Appointment of Sidespeople

Gill O'Neill proposed that the following Sidespersons be appointed for 2019-2020; all agreed.

8.00 a.m. Mass

Stephen Essayan	David Lemm	Sue Lock
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10.00 a.m. Mass

Silbert Crichlow	John Dempster	Bryan Grant	Delorine Green	Helen Hunt
Eloise King	Ish Lennox	Jayne Mallett	Jacqui Macfarlane	Angela McLeish
Kingsley Ogbonda	Pat Patten	Louise Pollard	Sara Rayment	Vida Smith
Joy Taylor	Rex Thompson	Karlene Watson	Keith Watson	Lucan Wint

Gill O'Neill thanked all the sidespersons for their continuing service and invited others to consider volunteering. They may be appointed at a later date.

8. Appointment of Independent Examiner or Auditor to the Parochial Church Council

During 2018 Barbara Roach retired as Independent Examiner. The PCC appointed Steve Brentnall as Independent Examiner on 19 September 2018.

Gill O'Neill proposed that Steve Brentnall be re-appointed as Independent Examiner. This was seconded by Sarah Goudge and agreed by those present.

9. To Receive the Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2018

The Treasurer, Sarah Goudge, presented the accounts for 2018, which had been audited and circulated with the Annual Report. They had been presented to the PCC and adopted unanimously.

Gill commented that expenditure had been greater this year; there had been several major projects including the Goose Green Centre kitchen refurbishment, heating, war memorial restoration, work on the clergy house and sundry electrical work. However, these had all been capital investments to maintain the fabric of St John's Church and the Goose Green Centre. It was commented that the amount designated as a General Reserve has been reduced from £75000 to £50,000.

There being no further questions, Gill O'Neill proposed that the Annual Accounts be received. This was agreed unanimously, and Sarah was thanked for her work in preparing the accounts.

11. To receive the Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2018

The 2018 Annual Report was in a similar format to the previous year but the content had been revised to show that we are fulfilling our charitable objectives and demonstrating public benefit. The Accounts and 2018 minutes were in a separate A4 document for legibility.

Gill O'Neill proposed that the Annual Report be received. This was seconded by Ish Lennox and agreed by the meeting.

Gill thanked Sarah and Christine for the additional time and effort that had been involved this year in preparing the Annual Report and Accounts following the recommendations of the Independent Examiner. She also thanked everyone who had contributed both to the Annual Report and also to the life of the church to enable it to be what it is.

12. Any Other Business

No other business for discussion had been submitted.

Gill O'Neill commented that in uncertain times, the church has an opportunity to help society know what it is and what its values are. It is often the body with the deepest roots and the longest history in a particular area. As well as looking back, churches only survive if they can be flexible and adaptable.

She drew our attention to 'The Five Marks of Mission' on the back of the report, explaining that we already fulfil many of these statements, offering hospitality, and keeping the needs of the world in our prayers and in our charitable giving. These values give us a framework for planning for the future.

Gill thanked everyone for attending and concluded the meeting with prayer.

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