

## **Minutes of Sacred Trinity Vestry Meeting**

**Held on: Sunday 7 April 2019**

### **After service at Sacred Trinity Church**

18 people were in attendance

Apologies were received from the following:

Haydn Worrall

Mel O'Neill

### **Minutes of the previous vestry meeting**

Minutes of the annual vestry meeting held on 15 April 2018 were reviewed and duly approved.

### **Election of church wardens**

Nominations were again received for Haydn Worrall, being proposed by Lorna Cook & seconded by Rebecca Craven & Marie Pattison being proposed by Rebecca Craven & seconded by Neil Worthington. They were unanimously elected.

Marie advised that this would be her last year in this role as she will then have been in office for 6 years.

It was agreed to consider appointing Deputy Church Wardens.

**The Vestry meeting closed.**

## **Minutes of Sacred Trinity Annual Parochial Meeting**

**Held on: Sunday 7 April 2019**

### **After service & after the Vestry Meeting at Sacred Trinity Church**

Attendance and apologies were as above.

Rector Andy Salmon acted as Chair.

### **Minutes of the previous annual parochial meeting**

Minutes of the annual parochial meeting held on 15 April 2018 were reviewed and duly approved.

The Chair confirmed the re-election of Marie Pattison and Haydn Worrall as Church Wardens.

Matter arising:

Neil advised that the Church anniversary will be on 20 May 2019 and he believed there were still cardboard church collecting boxes in circulation, so it would be appropriate to return these with funds collected around this date.

There were no other matters arising.

## **Electoral Roll**

The meeting was advised that Rebecca Craven had acted as our Electoral Roll officer for the past year. Andy reminded those present that anyone resident in the Parish is eligible for inclusion on the Electoral Roll, regardless of attendance at Church. The roll is taken every 6 years and in between times you are only taken off if you request to be removed. This year had seen a complete renewal of the Electoral Roll and it currently stands at 25 which is a decrease on last year, however the full renewal could partly account for this change. The appointment of the Electoral Roll officer will be considered further at the subsequent Parochial Church Council meeting.

The meeting was reminded that Neil Worthington will be our Deanery Synod representative until 2020.

## **Annual Report**

Andy referred to the Church's annual report, which had been circulated and made available on our website and picked out the following area for further mention.

Mission Action Plan – this had been reviewed and revised during the year. An increase in the population of the surrounding area is expected and this therefore gave us an opportunity both in terms of growth and change.

Andy thanked all those who contribute to Church life.

He referred to the various other reports included in the annual report and asked if there were any questions in respect to these other reports (the Treasurer's report would be discussed separately). No questions were raised so the reports as included from the Rector; the Assistant Priest; the Ordinand; the Time for God Volunteer; the PCC Secretary; the Church Wardens; the Tower Captain Report (MUGCR); Kolyn Amor (The Altaer); Safeguarding and the Musical Director were all duly accepted.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

The accounts had been independently examined by David Martin and had been reviewed by the PCC on 26 February 2019.

Both Andy and Neil commented that we are currently living beyond our means which is not sustainable.

We therefore need to grow our income / congregation, in order to meet our costs of running the Church.

Neil referred the meeting to his report. There were no specific questions raised regarding the report or the accounts, which were unanimously accepted by those present.

There then followed a vote of thanks to Neil and he was presented with a small token of our appreciation for his service as Treasurer over many years, as he would be stepping down from the role after this meeting, especially as he had taken on this position under difficult circumstances at the start.

## **Election of Parochial Church Council ('PCC') representatives:**

The following are automatically members given their other positions:

Andy Salmon / Rebecca Craven – as clergy

Marie Pattison / Haydn Worrall – as Church Wardens

Neil Worthington – as Deanery Synod representative

The following are currently members of the PCC:

Mel O'Neill (2021)

Sue McGrath (2021)

Lorna Cook (2020)

Jumaima Ebb (2020)

Margaret Kott (2020)

Les Kott (2019)

Michaela Salmon (2019)

It was agreed that as Jumaima had now moved out of the area it was appropriate to replace her as a member of the PCC.

Andy therefore believed there were 3 places vacant.

After a review of the Diocesan rules it was confirmed that 6 lay people allowed to be elected.

Various nominations had been received and the following were accepted for election:

Sharon Hooley, nominated by Marie Pattison and seconded by Neil Worthington, until 2022.

Michaela Salmon, nominated by Lorna Cook, seconded by Rebecca Craven, re-elected until 2022.

Alex Bramham, nominated by Neil Worthington, seconded by Lorna Cook, agreed to replace Jumaima Ebb so until 2020.

It was also discussed and agreed to co-opt Les Kott & Ann Rose, both were nominated by Sue McGrath and seconded by Lorna Cook.

The Rector confirmed that the Sides People are basically those that welcome, and it was agreed to remove Jumaima from the list together with David Winston who no-longer wished to act in this role. Andy asked if there was anyone else who wished to assist with welcoming and Sharon Hooley offered and was duly appointed.

The meeting approved the re-appointment of David Martin as the Independent Examiner for the accounts, following confirmation from Neil that David was willing to stand for re-election.

Andy asked if there was any other business and continued to comment that the Church building will need to be addressed, which is referred to in his report and he referred to the sub-committee which comprises of Neil; Haydn, Sue & himself.

There was no other business.

The meeting closed at 1.15pm.