

The Parish of Abingdon-on-Thames
St Michael and All Angels
Annual District Church Meeting
Sunday, 4 October 2020 after Mass
(deferred from 16 April because of Covid 19 restrictions)

Present

In the absence for health reasons of the Rev. Paul Smith the meeting was chaired by John Clare, Vice-Chairman of the DCC

Douglas Aitken	Joyce Kelly
Glynne Butt	Barbara King
Jane Cadogan	Laurence King
Christina Chappell	Helen Owen
Hilary Clare	Margery Radford
Beryl Clements	Alexandra Scott
Adrienne Compton-James	Neil Scott
Frank Debney	Susan Scott
Jane Duce	Susan Sheppy
Glenys Enticott	Simon Soper
Gwynfor Evans	Gillian Squire
Jeremy Gould	Peter Squire
Kathryn Greethurst	Julie Woodley
Louise Heffernan	

Apologies

Carol Bowman	
Keith Bowman	Eileen Duckett
Jenni Collins	Ray Duckett
Mike Collins	Sau Ming Ng
David Duce	Nicola Ng

1. The meeting opened at 10.38 a.m. with prayer and welcome, followed by presentation of apologies.
2. The **Minutes** of the meeting held on 24 March 2019, which had previously been available on the website and circulated as paper copies, were unanimously accepted.
3. **Matters arising:**
There were no matters arising.
4. **Reports**
 - (a) Electoral Roll. Keith Bowman (Electoral Roll Officer) sent revised figures (to the date of the meeting). The number on the roll had fallen to 69 from 71 in 2019, due to the loss of five people (3 died and 2 moved away) and gain of three.
 - (b) The Church Council's Annual Report, previously available on the website and circulated as paper copies, was unanimously accepted.
 - (c) Accounts. These had been available on the website and were circulated as paper copies. In the absence of Mike Collins, Treasurer, there were no questions and the accounts were unanimously accepted. It was reported that Mike was stepping down as Treasurer but would remain as financial co-ordinator until a new treasurer took office.

5. Elections.

(a) Churchwardens.

Peter Squire (proposed by Joyce Kelly, 2nd Sau Ming Ng) and **Joyce Kelly** (proposed by Glynne Butt, 2nd Laurence King) were nominated for election as churchwardens at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners on 22 October 2020;

(b) Deanery Synod (

Sue Scott (proposed by Joyce Kelly, 2nd Dorothy Bell), **Alexandra Scott** (proposed by Gill Squire, 2nd Sau Ming Ng);

(c) There were no nominations for the vacancy on the PCC;

(d) **Frank Debney** (proposed by Adrienne Compton-James, 2nd Hilary Clare), **Glynne Butt** (proposed by Hilary Clare, 2nd Sue Sheppy), and **Sau Ming Ng** (proposed by Joyce Kelly, 2nd John Clare) were elected to serve on the DCC for three years.

Two vacancies on the DCC for two years and one for one year remain unfilled.

(e) The following were elected sidespersons for the year:

Beryl Clements

Frank Debney

Louise Heffernan

Barbara King

Nicola Ng

Sau Ming Ng

Sue Sheppy

Gill Squire

(f) **Jane Cadogan** was elected as representative to the Church-in-Abingdon.

6. Any other business.

(a) Glynne Butt asked what had happened to the proposed 'Who's Who' suggested at the ADCM in 2019 by Beryl Clements; Joyce Kelly replied that the matter had been allowed to drop but would be taken up again.

(b) Helen Owen asked what was happening about the Treasurership; the Chairman replied that he understood the matter to be under discussion.

(c) The Chairman expressed his sadness at the banning of people, even clergy, from entering churches during the initial weeks of lock-down.

7. The meeting closed with the Grace at 10.58 a.m.