**HOLY TRINITY BRIMSCOMBE.**

**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (for 2020)**

**After the Morning Service on 25th July 2021**

The meeting took place following a service of Morning Worship at Holy Trinity Brimscombe.

Minutes of the previous year’s meetings, Annual Report, Finance Report, and Reports from other organisations had been on display in the church, and on the church website, for all to have an opportunity to read.

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

**Held on Sunday 25th July 2021**

**Present:** P. Hill, S. Bennie, Rev. S. Haslam, P. Gee and 8 other adults

1. **Welcome and prayer:** P. Hill welcomed us, and Sarah opened with a prayer.
2. **Apologies for absence:** Steven Sawyer, Peter and Coral Francis, Chris Short, Victoria Robson, Peter Gee,

1. **Minutes of previous meeting:**

Minutes of meeting held on 18th October 2020 were accepted

Proposed: L. Butt 2nd: S. Bennie

Minutes were signed and approved.

1. **Matters arising:** None
2. **Election of 2 churchwardens:**

Chris Short Proposed: S. Bennie Seconder: S. Sawyer

Pauline Hill Proposed: J. Wood Seconder: L. Butt

They were duly elected.

Proposed: L. Amor 2nd: R. Amor

Thank you to Chris Short and Pauline Hill for being willing to stand and serve in this capacity again.

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1. **Matters arising:** None
2. **Electoral Roll Report:**

We have had two people living in the parish join our electoral roll taking the number to 48. 21 are resident and 27 are non-resident.

1. **Election of PCC Members:**

As Leah Butt was previously co-opted onto the PCC. Her term officially ends at this AGM. Leah has kindly agreed to remain on the PCC but now needs to be elected.

Proposed: S. Sawyer Seconder: S. Bennie

Leah is now duly elected for a three-year term.

Proposed: P. Appleton 2nd: Jayne Hancock

Due to Deborah Widger stepping down from the PCC there is now a vacancy.

She was thanked for her service.

Jayne has kindly agreed to fill the vacancy for a three-year term.

Proposed: P. Appleton Seconder: J. Wood

Jayne is now duly elected for a three-year term.

Proposed: R. Amor 2nd: L. Amor

**5) Election of Deanery Synod Member**

Due to having less than 50 people on the electoral roll there is only one position to be filled. Rev S. Haslam goes as a member of the clergy. No-one wished to stand as a lay member.

1. **Church Annual Report**

Statutory requirements and a brief résumé of the year’s activities had been prepared by Mrs. Sandra Sawyer and displayed on the church website.

She was thanked for her hard work over the year.

Full report displayed on the church website.

1. **Finance:**

The accounts have already been approved formally by the PCC, so the accounts needed to be received at the APCM.

Proposed: S. Bennie 2nd: L. Butt

The Independent Examiner, Mr. Richard Gray has already been sent a letter of thanks and is to be appointed again next year. The PCC has already agreed that he be employed again for his excellent service.

Proposed: S. Bennie 2nd: D. Butcher

Sarah Bennie ran through a summary of the financial report which is also displayed on the website.

Thank you to Sarah Bennie for all her hard work this year in the role.

**Reports:**

**Churchwardens:**

Report displayed on website and main points were covered.

The organ was discussed and going to carry this forward to gather thoughts of the congregation regarding this and other plans for repairs to the church building.

Thank you, Chris and Pauline, for all their hard work to keep things going.

**Deanery Synod:**

No report displayed.

**Sunday Club:**

There has been no Sunday Club due to COVID restrictions.

**Safeguarding Report:**

No report was produced. There are no current safeguarding issues.

1. **Ministry Report:**

These are the main points of Rev Sarah Haslam’s report which will be made available on the church website:

* Worship and mission have been shaped by the on-going pandemic seeing today to be the first time the congregation were able to sing in church since March 2020.
* In March 2021 there was a special online reflective service where the loss of loved ones was remembered.
* There have been regularly over 90 people reading the Daily reflections written by the members of the Ministry Team
* Alpha group still meeting for walks and cake.
* Bible study groups are meeting mid-week.
* Families with children did not benefit from moving to online and this will be looked at now the restrictions have been lifted.
* Collective worship for the benefice schools has been made possible with the use of Zoom. As a result, it has been possible to reach out to the school families and engage their interest.
* A Christingle service was done using Zoom.
* Every child at Brimscombe school has been given a Christmas book
* The youth groups: Lasers and Rooted have been going from strength to strength.
* Sarah thanked the support of the PCC, the church wardens and volunteer cleaners in keeping the church clean and sanitised.
* Rev Peter Francis is currently off sick and as a Ministry Team and a church we need to think about how we can best serve him.
* Sarah thanked everyone especially Peter, Victoria, Chris, Pauline, and Helen Kerr for welcoming her and supporting her through this last year.
* We need a healthy and sustainable ministry so we can grow and should seek to serve and witness to the local community.
* Brimscombe Port is changing and as a congregation and individuals we need to pray for the community actively and collectively and how best we can serve them.
* We pray for a summer of rest, and for the Holy Spirit to equip us.

1. **Any Other Business**

L. Butt thanked Pauline and Sandra and Sarah

Closed the meeting at 12.45pm