



CAVERSHAM THAMESIDE
AND MAPLEDURHAM
ST PETER | ST MARGARET | ST JOHN

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Sunday 7 April 2019, 9.51am
St John's Church, Caversham

The Rector, Rev Mike Smith, chaired the meeting which took place within the context of a Sunday morning Holy Communion service

78 members of the parish were present

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Anna Carpenter, Caroline Smith, Nigel Smith, Sonia Higgs, Mike Jones, Pat Jones, Jenny Wright, Kathleen Hardy, Judy King, Janet Soden, Bridget Cumming-Bruce, Penny Cuthbert, Simon Cuthbert, Margaret Keen, Anthony Wisdom, John Maxwell, Heather Maxwell, Caroline Langdon, Catherine Radcliffe, Jacqui Curtis, Ian Lowry, Matthew Anderton
2. **Minutes of previous APCM** held on 15 April 2018. Approved by all present. Signed by the Rector as a true record
3. **Election of Deanery Synod Representatives**
There is one vacancy for Deanery Synod. Currently Ralph Taylor, Simon Cuthbert, Peter Stratton and Caroline Smith are the lay representatives on the Deanery Synod and we have one nomination from Jacqui Kavanagh to take over from Steve Jenkins. Approved by all present.
4. **Election of members to the PCC**
Sonia Higgs, Richard Havelock & Matthew Anderton have completed their term of office giving one vacancy for St Peter & St Margaret and two vacancies for St John (one for two years and one for 3 years). Nomination forms were received from Sally Harlow and Chris Heron (St John's) and Matthew Anderton (St Margaret's). There being no other nominations received, all were elected to serve for 3 years, leaving one vacancy. Approved by all present.

Thank you to Richard Havelock and Sonia Higgs for their involvement in the PCC.

5. **Appointment of Sidemen and Women**

The following people were appointed as sidemen and women for the forthcoming year:

St Peter's Church - Stewart Bolton, Alan Bradbury, Christine Bradbury, Anna Carpenter, David Collis, Matthew Coome, Hilary Coome, Douglas Fee, Jean Fry, Sylvia Harris, Richard Havelock, Kathleen Hardy, Lynn Hinton, Steve Jenkins, Luke Jenkins, Sylvia Kassulamemba, John Kavanagh, Jacqui Kavanagh, Declan Kiely, Richard Larkin, Alan Longstaffe; Mike Mellor, Sue McQueen, Rodney Pinchen, Mary Pinchen, John Roach, Charlie Scola, Shirl Scola, Julia Stanbrook, Alan Standing, Janice Walker, Tony Walker, Jonathan Wheeler, Pat Williams

St Margaret's Church - Matthew Anderton, Paul Corby, Mark Denley, Roger Hartley-Booth, Ian Lowry, Jill Neal-Morris, Joanna Moriarty, Liz Stratton, Peter Stratton, Ralph Taylor, Peter Vallance

St John's Church – Wendy Buss, Ann Deane, Ken Deane, Sally Harlow, Margarett Hatcher, Linda Shannon, Maureen Williams, Carole Witcomb, Ray Witcomb

6. Appointment of an Independent Examiner

Richard Larkin proposed that we retain the services of Heather Wheelhouse of BDO LLP (formerly Moore Stephens LLP) at a fee to be agreed with the PCC. Approved by all present

7. Receiving the annual Trustees' Report for 2018 and looking forward

The annual report of the parish was received by the meeting. An electoral roll of 260 (in 2018) was reported. The PCC reported on its activities, and those more generally of the parish, for the year. The financial statements for the year were presented. A report on the fabric, good and ornaments of the church was received. A report on the activities of the Deanery Synod was made

The Rector asked everyone to discuss the following questions:

1. Is there one question you want to ask arising from this year's annual report?
2. In the last week, think of one positive encounter with a child or young person. What made it positive? Did you glimpse God in that situation? Talk on your table about it
3. As part of our parish journey towards "Becoming a Christ-like Community", how are we engaging as churches with children and young people in our community, and where might God be prompting us to engage more?

8. Any other business

Phil Blackburn to step back as lay leader due to health issues, but to continue with his role in the All Age Worship planning team.

The meeting closed at 10.31am