# Parish of All Saints, Boyne Hill, Maidenhead

### Minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting

### Monday 20 April 2015 Boyne Hill Cricket Club 7.00 pm

Rev. Jeremy Harris - Chairman

Present: 36 Parishioners

Fr. Jeremy welcomed us all to Boyne Hill Cricket Club in this its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. The second incumbent of All Saints, Canon Drummond was instrumental in setting up the cricket club and was himself a member.

### A Election of Churchwardens

Rod Broad – Proposed by Margaret Hill Seconded by Christine Watts Stella Harding – Proposed by Christine Watts Seconded by Margaret Hill

#### **Election of Vice Chairman of PCC**

Rod Broad - Proposed by Sue Stannett Seconded by Stella Horne

### B Guest Speaker

Partnership in Missional Church (PMC) – Rachel Ross Smith

## C Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Fish and Chip Supper

# 1 Apologies for Absence

Fr. Neil Bryson, Elizabeth Bryson, Sally Walsh, Doug Horne, Mike Ansell, Lorraine Ansell, Jan Moss, Frances Harrison, David Emerson, John Bolodeoku, June Crouch.

# 2 Acceptance of the Minutes of APCM held on 28 April 2014

Proposed by Christine Watts and Seconded by Elaine Williams There were no matters arising.

# 3 Annual report of Accounts

Peter May presented the accounts and explained that due to the sale of the property 93 Brunel Road our funds have received a large boost. He drew our attention to the figure of £223,328 which represents the balance of funds as at 31 December 2014. The income derived from the sale of this property is shown under Other Income and is the amount received after the payment of all fees, legal costs and repayments of loans have been made, the final figure being £93,363. Peter explained that in order to keep the reserves at a level

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suitable for use in the future for any emergencies; he transferred £25,000 from the general receipts to the reserve account. This leaves us with a balance of £52,028 in the Reserve Account and £88,224 in the General Fund Account. Peter then went on to explain that due to the sale of the property, it is easy to assume that our financial situation is very healthy, however, he then went on to say that our Voluntary Receipts are lower than last year. Not only has our Planned Giving reduced, but also the collections at services are lower than last year. It was also reported by Peter that our monthly outgoings exceed our monthly receipts by between £1000 and £2000 per month. These areas of reduced income and increased spending will be addressed by the Stewardship Committee in the future, in order to improve the monthly accounts. We are fortunate in that our Parish Share has risen minimally and that we are able to meet that payment each year.

Fr. Jeremy thanked Peter and Lynn May for all their hard work in processing and reporting the accounts.

# 4 Approval of Felton Pumphrey, Chartered Accountants, as Independent Examiners of the Accounts

Proposed by John Harrison Seconded by Mark Desai

### 5 Presentation of Electoral Roll

Sue Stannett said that there had been a few changes to the Church Electoral Roll this year. Three families have moved away during the year, resulting in the number on the roll decreasing by 8. However, as there were new people coming all the time to All Saints there were 9 new people on the Electoral Roll making an overall increase of 1. Therefore the number on the Roll has increased from 178 to 179. The numbers on the roll are usually split with 50% living inside the parish and 50% living outside the parish, however this year although it is the same percentage, there is just one more parishioner living outside the parish than inside. She invited anyone present who is not on the Electoral Roll but would like to be, to speak to her afterwards.

### **6** Election of PCC Members and Sidespersons

### 6.1 PCC Members

Derek Smith – proposed by Christine Watts seconded by Stella Harding Jeanette Lock – proposed by Stella Harding seconded by Elaine Williams Elaine Williams – proposed by David Morgan seconded by Christine Watts Christine Watts – proposed by Elaine Williams seconded by Stella Harding lan Marshall – proposed by Stella Harding seconded by Christine Watts Simon Fullarton – proposed by Christine Watts seconded by Christine Pocock Mark Desai – proposed by Mike Ansell seconded by Christine Watts

### **Deanery Synod**

David Morgan – proposed by Christine Watts seconded by Elaine Williams

### Sidespersons

Fr. Jeremy read out the list of 21 names

Lorraine Ansell Brenda llott Michael Ansell Rhona Latham Jean Balchin David Morgan Pat Church Dorothy Padfield Gillian Churchill Ann Rawlings Jo Towers Marian Duncombe John Harrison Julia Wakeling Pauline Hole Sally Walsh Doug Horne **Christine Watts** George Hutchinson Elaine Williams

Jo Hawkes

Proposed by Christine Watts and seconded by Julia Wakeling

There are 5 vacancies.

### 7 Annual Report of the PCC

Fr. Jeremy thanked all those people involved in the production of the Annual Report especially David Dunford for receiving and collating all the individual reports and for all those contributors who wrote the reports, in particular those people who wrote several reports.

Fr. Jeremy expressed his thanks to Rod and Stella for all their hard work over the last year, organising the PCC meetings and checking that all the services ran smoothly, especially at the busy times of the year. He also expressed his thanks to Fr. Neil, Rev Sally Lynch, Rev Joan Hicks, Rev Judith Thomas and Elizabeth for all the support he received from them in taking services and joining together for services at 6.00pm and the Marriage Preparation Course. He also thanked all those people who contribute to the smooth running of the church especially the Director of Music, the cleaners, the flower arrangers, the coffee servers, the office workers, the verger, the choir, the servers, the sidespeople, the young Saints leaders and the Tiny Saints helpers. Fr. Jeremy also thanked those involved in the Worship Group, for their support and commitment in planning services.

Mission in Larchfield is continuing to grow with meals offered at Larchfield Open Table on the first Tuesday of each month. Open the Book is also popular at not only Larchfield School but also at All Saints School. Elizabeth is extending her ministry at Larchfield Care Home where she offers a service every two weeks. There is also a summer club held in the holidays and also a Christmas club which has been equally successful.

Fr. Jeremy reported that our Social Media sites were now becoming very popular with 66 followers on Twitter, coverage on Facebook and two Websites. He also thanked John Harrison and Mike Ansell for their work in organising the events for Men of Boyne Hill to enjoy. This is an important area of ministry because statistics show that over the last 30 years 49% of men have left the church. A group of 6 men made a pilgrimage to Walsingham earlier this year and this was an introductory weekend which may have the benefit of more men going for longer periods of time in the future. It is possible to make a pilgrimage to Walsingham at any time of the year. Margaret Hill and her daughter Jo, said that they have just returned from Walsingham on a private visit and said that there are opportunities to go privately as well as with a church group. Fr. Jeremy said that the plans to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in January 2016 with Fr. Kevin Scully and his parishioners, is well under way and would urge people to consider going on this visit.

Rod Broad brought our attention to the Vision of the Church:

To be a welcoming church family, encouraging and supporting people of all ages on their journey to faith and relationship with Jesus; through vibrant Eucharistic worship, supportive small groups and strong community and schools outreach to build a joyful and sustainable future, enabling our community to live and share in the love of God.

## 8 Any other notified business

Janet Emerson asked if it was possible to employ a full time youth worker at All Saints as she felt that it was important to strengthen the links we have with the Church Schools. Fr. Jeremy agreed that it was a good idea, however, Peter May asked if the church congregation was ready for such a big change in favour of young people. He said that after working with Messy Church for 6 years and then moving to All Saints Together, this had not been as successful as anticipated. There are several options for young people now including Rock Shop, Café Church and the Film Club. Fr. Jeremy said that the other churches which have employed a youth worker in the past have been very successful and said that it might be possible to share a youth worker with another church.

Rhona asked if it was possible to have some chairs at the back of the church during Coffee after the 10.00am service. It was agreed that once the screens have been removed from the west corner, which has now stopped moving, then there would be plenty of room for chairs.

Fr. Jeremy thanked all those who have sent cards and offered prayers after the death of his Stepfather Reg Mitchell whose funeral takes place tomorrow.

John Ainslie proposed a vote of thanks to Fr. Jeremy for all he does in leading our busy church through study, thought, guidance and prayer.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm with the Grace.

# D Meeting of the new PCC

Those present:

Fr. Jeremy Harris – Chairman

Rod Broad

Stella Harding

David Morgan

Jeanette Lock

Elaine Williams

Peter May

Christine Watts

John Ainslie

John Harrison

Julia Wakeling

Derek Smith

Mark Desai

Christine Watts was elected as the PCC Secretary Proposed by Stella Harding and seconded by Mark Desai

Peter May was Co-opted as the Treasurer Proposed by Rod Broad and seconded by Christine Watts

Lynn May was elected as the book-keeper with signing authority Proposed by Stella Harding and seconded by Elaine Williams

Fr. Jeremy, Rod Broad, Stella Harding, Peter May, and Christine Watts were elected as the Standing Committee.

The new treasurer would be invited to join the Standing Committee when appointed, to shadow Peter May

Sue Stannett was elected as the Electoral Roll Officer. Proposed by Rod Broad and seconded by Jeanette Lock

Derek Smith, Ian Marshall and Mark Desai were co-opted to the PCC as they had been on the Electoral Roll for less than the specified 6 months

The date of the first meeting of the new PCC is on Wednesday 13 May 2015 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.50pm