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WOLLATON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 17 March 2025 at 7.30pm at St. Leonard's Church.

Present: Tim Pullen (TP), Erica Bailey (EB), Penny Ball (PB), Carol Barber (CB), Roger Owen (RO), Mike Smith (MS), Emma Twissell (ET), Elaine Thompson (ETh), Mieneke Vine (MV), Noreen Thomas (NT), Lindy Jones (LJ), Christian Morgner (CM), Lisa Smith (LS) and The Venerable Arch Deacon of Nottingham Phil Williams

Apologies: Gill Moore (GM).

Minutes: Carol Barber.

P18/25 Opening Prayer

The meeting commenced with a prayer led by Tim Pullen, who expressed gratitude for the dedication and contributions of the PCC members and moving the Church forward under the present circumstances and welcomed Phil Williams to our meeting.

P19/25 Minutes of the PCC Meeting held on 13 January 2025

These were approved as an accurate record, without amendment.

P20/25 Minutes of the SCART Meeting held on 10 February 2025**

The minutes of the SCART meeting were received with a minor alteration noted.

P21/25 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Before Tim Pullen excused himself from the meeting as a matter in which he had a conflict of interest he shared that:

Sally Smith had made the decision to step down from the PCC. He thanked her for her significant contributions, both to the PCC and the Deanery.

Additionally, Noreen Thomas announced that due to health concerns, she would also be stepping down from the committee we are grateful for her valuable contributions. We will continue to pray for Noreen's health.

The Committee had received the resignation of David Thompson, Chair of the Community Centre who has been in post since 2016, managing employees and change over of the Caretaker and had been an excellent resource under his oversight. David feels this is an appropriate time to step down and we will need to look for someone else to become Chairman. The PCC thanked David for his many years of dedicated service to the Community Centre, his attention to detail and practical gifts that have seen the centre fully utilised under his management.

It would be beneficial that it be someone who positively engages with Church

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and the Community. Carol Barber to liaise with Kerry in the ongoing period. Please pray that the right person will be 'raised up' for this role.

P22/2025 Matters Arising

No matters arising that were not otherwise covered in the Agenda.

P23/25 Action Grid

The following updates were provided on ongoing actions:

Safeguarding: Pete Bailey will be assuming responsibility for Safeguarding, taking over from Mike Smith.

Automatic Doors: Approval has been granted for the installation of new automatic doors.

Children's Area Flooring: A proposal to replace the flooring in the children's area may require a faculty; a response from Mark Goodwill-Hodgson is awaited.

Alpha Course:* The Alpha course will commence on 1st May 2025.

Away Day:** Carol Barber will coordinate the Away Day, liaise with the PCC, and confirm the venue.

Change to Bank Account Signatories:**

The PCC resolves to change the authorised signatories on the PCC bank accounts to add to the existing signatories that of Churchwarden Hermina Hendrika Vine.

Proposed: Carol Barber

Seconded: Elaine Thompson

Unanimously agreed.

P24/25 Electoral Roll**

Erica Bailey confirmed that the Electoral Roll is up to date and all necessary amendments are being processed in preparation for the upcoming Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

P25/25 Standing Item Reports **

Corporate Spiritual Discernment Exercise:** Elaine Thompson reported that the recent Corporate Spiritual Discernment Exercise was attended by 76 people, with overwhelmingly positive feedback. The children's groups also expressed enthusiasm, particularly in relation to the encouragement of children serving in church activities.

Elaine provided us all individually with a summary of the CSD programme, the work of which she took on task was immensely appreciated by the PCC.

P26/25 St. Leonard's Impression. Mike Smith encouraged the PCC members to engage with church members and solicit their feedback on St. Leonard's, with the aim of gathering insights to inform us in the future church.

P27/25 Tim and Jo's Departure.

Tim and Jo are departing after over 11 years of dedicated leadership at St. Leonard's. The PCC agreed to organise a shared meal and presentation to recognise and celebrate their commitment to the church.

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Interregnum Process.

Phil Williams, Archdeacon, provided a detailed overview of the interregnum process, explaining the steps involved and the preparations the PCC should undertake to ensure a smooth transition. He spent 45 minutes answering questions and guiding the PCC on how to navigate this important period. He pointed out that the Diocese have a graphic designer available to us when we come to the advert stage (at a cost).

P28/25 Any Other Business.

No additional items were raised for discussion.

Next PCC meeting will be held on 28 April 2025.

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