Minutes of a PCC Meeting held on Sunday 28th March at 4pm on Zoom

PRESENT: Revd. Canon Andrew Shipton (chair), Revd Bev Davies, Paul Wilkinson, Christine Willoughby, Ros Place, Felicity Shoesmith, Diana Lavin, Karen Parkhouse, Fred Carr, Margaret Patterson, Diane Kirkup, Revd. Ruth Birnie, Peter Brown, Katie Hogg, Alison Proudfoot, Lesley Ogilvie, Alison Wilson, Kath Davies, Edith Davison, Nick Glover (secretary).

Andrew opened the meeting with a prayer.

2021-03-01: Approval of the Annual Report and Accounts.

Fred reported that Haines Watts had raised certain queries within the accounts but these had been resolved satisfactorily. Other editorial changes had been made but he was now satisfied with the final drafts.

Sincere thanks were recorded to Fred for the great amount of hard work put in by him in the production of the whole report.

Peter Brown proposed, Christine Willoughby seconded that we should approve the accounts. Unanimously accepted.

2021-03-02: Approval of a New Safeguarding Policy.

Andrew presented the newly updated version of our Safeguarding policy, which was based on the Safeguarding Handbook from the House of Bishops. Pointed out that the availability of such a policy in the public domain is a legal requirement.

Discussion followed about how the policy should be implemented at the level of the individual groups within the Church community. Also that we must be alert to future changes in policy requirements.

Peter Brown proposed, Diana Lavin seconded that we should accept the policy. Unanimously agreed.

2021-03-03: Report on Building Work for the Church Centre:

Peter Brown presented his report, stressing that some of the pointing on the Centre is in very poor condition. It should be possible to complete any work around the needs of the Playgroup and other Centre users.

Peter proposed that the work in the report should be proceeded with, Paul Wilkinson seconded. Unanimously agreed.

2021-03-04; PCC Make-up

The Secretary reported on vacancies on the PCC from the upcoming APCM. It was hoped that new people would stand. Thanks recorded to Alison Proudfoot for her service on the PCC.

Andrew closed the meeting with a prayer and the Grace.