

ST JAMES CHURCH, WEST LITTLETON

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH
COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 3 APRIL 2017
AT HARCOMBE FARM BARN**

Present: Reverend Sally Wheeler, Chairman
David Adams
Carolyn Adams
Christopher Bell
James Golob
Michael Horgan
John Mackenzie-Grieve
Elizabeth Sandeman
Alan Young

Apologies: David Sandeman

1. Appointment of Churchwardens

David Adams and Elizabeth Sandeman were elected as churchwardens.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

1. Apologies for absence

There was an apology from David Sandeman.

2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 11 April 2016

The minutes were accepted as a true record.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. The Reports:

a. Electoral Roll

There were 27 on the Electoral Roll for 2017.

b. PCC Report

- The Secretary's post remained vacant
- The PCC had met 3 times during the year (APCM plus two PCC)
- There were 9 members

c. Financial Report

The accounts for 2016 had been circulated prior to the meeting. The balance as at 31 December 2016 was £34877.31 compared to £27879.60 on 31 December 2015 (a period increase of £6997.71 of which £1168 was unrealised {investment account}). The accounts had been examined independently by Jarrod Waring. The accounts were accepted as a true record. The Chairman thanked the Treasurer, Michael Horgan, for all his hard work, and Jarrod Waring for acting as independent examiner for the year.

d. Fabric Report

There were no items of work outstanding. Routine maintenance had been carried out as normal during the year. The bell had been causing problems in wet weather. As a first step, Adrian Packer had been asked to examine the rope run and pulleys. The chancel arch was showing signs of damp and peeling plaster. Adrian Packer would be carrying out the necessary work shortly (£2000 authorised at the last PCC meeting). The church path was in need of some new gravel. David Adams had written to the Parish Council asking for a grant of £200.

e. Deanery Synod Report

The Deanery Synod had met three times during the year. The Chairman said that meetings were open to all and were used to help the parishes around the Deanery share good practice and offer mutual support. Elizabeth Sandeman, our Deanery Synod Representative, had attended one of the meetings. She said it was very interesting to see how other churches were working and to share experiences.

5. Elections and appointments:

a. Deanery Synod Representative

Elizabeth Sandeman agreed to continue in this role for the coming year.

b. PCC

None.

c. Sidesmen

John Mackenzie-Grieve and David Sandeman were re-elected.

d. Independent Examiner

Jarrod Waring was appointed subject to his willingness to continue in the role.

6. Incumbent's Report

The Chairman thanked the many people who helped and supported the work and activities of the Parish. The full report is attached to these minutes.

7. Any other business

There was no other business.

8. Date of next meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday, 9th April 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Rev Sally Wheeler
Chairman

To:

Rev Sally Wheeler
Carolyn Adams
David Adams
Christopher Bell
James Golob
Michael Horgan
John Mackenzie-Grieve
Elizabeth Sandeman
David Sandeman
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