

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 22 FEBRUARY 2009

PRESENT: Fr Paul Dalzell, Gail and Jim Tregaskis, Michael Thornton, Elaine Furniss, Marida and Maurie Pawsey, Norma Miller, Beryl Moore, Joy Welch, Muriel Paech, Judy Hines, Helen Brooks, Lorraine Eastaugh, Diana Weeks, Linda and Ian Davis, Madeleine Graley.

Apologies: Kath Chanter, Val Lethbridge.

Fr Paul opened with prayer and before the meeting commenced, asked that we take into account the following:

1. That Bishop in Council during the last year has been reviewing the Parish Administration Act as it was apparent at Synod that few were working under it's strict guidelines. And as we are one parish, there is no need for other meeting.
2. Please keep exchanges between each other at a lower level – due to circumstances of last couple of weeks, all have been under considerable strain.
3. Please take time to be as efficient as we can.

Minutes of previous agm should have been circulated last week. They were then circulated and a short time taken to read and verify they were a correct record of that meeting. Moved I. Davis, seconded M. Pawsey. All in favour. Carried.

Reports:

Incumbent's Report: Read and circulated. Linda asked question re National Home Mission Fund in relation to Paul's future. Discussion had been held with Bishop. Time frame could be 18-14 months – still much to be discussed. Letter to be sent asap asking for clarification..

Comment from M. Thornton re stewardship.

M.Pawsey asked whether we need review of children's service. Moved by L. Davis that report be received, seconded M. Pawsey., All in favour.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by J. Welch. Moved for acceptance by I. Davis, seconded G. Tregaskis. All in favour.

M. Thornton questioned deficit. Parish Council work to sort out finances.

Budget presented – organ to be tuned. Acceptance of budget moved M. Pawsey, seconded N. Miller. All in favour.

Moved by J. Welch that Steve Costley be appointed auditor. All in favour. Letter of thanks to be sent .

Wardens' Report: Moved for acceptance by L. Davis, seconded M. Thornton. All in favour.

Hall insulation – 4 quotes being received.

Outside area of pavement to be followed up (where it comes up to the wall of the hall).

E. Furniss commended wardens on decisions made re community garden.

Friends of St. Johns Report: Presented verbally by Marida Pawsey who has taken over from Beryl Moore and expressed thanks to Beryl. They have a balance of \$11,896.

Elaine asked whether annual report could go on the website. Moved by M Thornton that decision about what documents go on website be decided by Parish Council. Seconded M. Pawsey – carried.

Publicity & Fellowship Report: Moved for acceptance by G. Tregaskis, seconded H. Brooks. All in favour. \$11,000 had been raised for year, due mainly to fair and concert.

Election of Wardens: Three nominations – M. Pawsey, M. Thornton, L. Davis, One appointed and two elected – carried.

How many should Parish Council comprise: We have 8 nominations but as noted by M. Pawsey, no nomination from Eildon. Moved by M. Pawsey that we have 12 and that someone from Eildon is invited to join. Discussion held. Fr Paul could in fact appoint 4. Seconded M. Thornton. All in favour. Quorum is one-third.

Elected as nominated: M. Graley, E. Furniss, G. Tregaskis, I. Davis, D. Weeks, J. Hines, H. Brooks, L. Eastaugh,

Youth Synod – not applicable.

Parochial Nominators: Nominated: G. Tregaskis, Madeleine Graley, M. Pawsey, L. Davis. Supplementary: M. Thornton. M. Graley withdrew her nomination. Other 3 declared elected. 3 Supplementary: M. Thornton, M. Graley, D. Weeks.

Synod reps. Elected at Parish Council.

General Business: Nil

The meeting closed at 1 pm