



# PCC of the Parish of Wiverton in the Vale

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.00 pm on Monday 9 May 2022  
on zoom

Acting Chair: Pam Powell  
Churchwardens: Robin Coles, Trevor Simpson, Hilary Tabron,  
Elected members: Rosie Dulwich, Mike Raines, Nick Perry, Mick Beazley  
Ex Officio: Katharine Bacon, Reader (Deanery Synod Rep), Stephen Hippisley-Cox  
(Area Dean)  
Treasurer: Phil Stephenson

Minutes: Jane Travis

Apologies: Sally Stothard, Rachel Mitchell, Anna Betts, Edward Hine

Item		Action
22/05/01	<p><b>Welcome and opening prayers</b></p> <p>1.1 PP welcomed everyone and thanked SH-C for attending, SH-C opened the meeting with a prayer.</p> <p>1.2 Apologies received from Revd Rachel Mitchell, Anna Betts, Edward Hine and Sally Stothard</p> <p>1.3 All agreed an accurate record.  <i>Proposal to accept and sign off minutes from 14/03/2022 as an accurate record of the meeting</i>  <i>Proposed - MB, seconded - HT, unanimously agreed</i></p> <p>1.4 Matters arising</p> <p>1.4 8.1.1- NP again advised very few had sent through photos for inclusion on the website. PCC members are reminded to send them through without delay. NP offered to take photos to facilitate the process. Please can all members of the PCC send through a head shot to NP asap</p> <p>3.4 - SH-C advised there was no need to have a permanently appointed Vice Chair at the moment, it is acceptable to take the role in rotation.6.2 Ukrainian Refugees - NP reported that there is a meeting next week about this. SH-C urged us to take action soon. There are already 3 families being supported in Wysall. JT advised that Clare and Fred Connell hope to host a family but this is not finalised yet. Clare would like to know of other Ukrainian families in the area so they can arrange for them all to meet up and support each other.SH-C can offer advise.</p> <p>1.5 SH-C gave some background on where things are regarding Rachel's long term sickness. Conversations are taking place in Jubilee House between Rachel, the Archdeacon and the HR department, these of course are confidential. Rachel is an Office Holder under Common Tenure, not an employee, and so different processes apply to the ones folk may be used to.</p>	

	<p>Members of PCC talked with warmth about Rachel and Sid and of their concern for Rachel's health. They voiced their thanks and appreciation for the retired clergy and readers who have so willingly and ably lead weekly services, baptisms, weddings and funerals. All are mindful that we cannot overwork our retired clergy and need to watch out for their health and wellbeing, and of the consequent scaling back of services across the Parish. They spoke too of their loyalty to Rachel and also of their responsibility to the parishioners in their villages.</p> <p>Concerns were raised that the Parish needs to renew its strategic process, and wondered if a way forward might be found to do this in Rachel's absence. SH-C suggested that he, as area dean, could have a role in this, and could do this in a way that would not conflict with Rachel's role in the future. KB mentioned that the Parish would usually run an Alpha course in the autumn, and SH-C gave permission for this to take place and offered to take one of the sessions if he was available.</p> <p>On a practical front the Parish needs to ensure people know who to contact at times of sudden need, e.g. when close to death. SH-C suggested that this should be the retired clergy in the first instance, and offered his help if contacting someone at short notice proved difficult.</p> <p>It was mentioned that Archdeacon Phil is meeting with the PCC after the service at Langar on 5th June, and SH-C mentioned that he would feed back what had been said at this meeting to him before then.</p> <p>SH-C then brought this part of the meeting to a close, praying for Rachel and Sid, and for the Parish as the future unfolds.</p>	<b>ALL PCC</b>
22/05/02	<p><b>Churchwardens' or Church Representatives' Reports (see Appendix 2)</b></p> <p>Full details are documented in the attached appendices.</p> <p>2.1 Colston Bassett Report Nothing to add</p> <p>2.2 Elton report Nothing to add</p> <p>2.3 Granby Report Nothing to add</p> <p>2.4 Langar report Nothing to add</p> <p>2.5 Cropwell Bishop report Nothing to add</p> <p>2.6 Tythby report MR visited Amanda Redgate at Jubilee House to discuss the Chancel liability matter and is awaiting a response.</p>	
22/05/03	<p><b>Finance and Administration (see Appendix 3)</b></p> <p>3.1 Treasurer's Report and Overview - PS thanked MJ for his patience, support and generosity with his time during the training and hand over process. PS is now in full possession of all the Treasurer files and computer. MJ is available for help and advice if necessary.</p> <p>3.2 Review of local charges for weddings and funerals</p>	

	<p>JT advised that the fees had not been reviewed in over a year and especially with the global uncertainty in utility costs the PCC should review fees. All agreed the fees charged for heating should be reviewed, other fees could remain the same as they are in keeping with other local costs.</p> <p>It was unclear how much it actually costs to heat the church for a wedding or funeral. NP suggested that meter readings are taken prior to switching on heating and again when switching back to normal settings so that consumption can be measured more accurately to inform future decisions. This is mainly applicable for weddings in Langar Church over the next four months. JT to ask RC to take readings</p> <p><i>Proposal</i></p> <p><i>The PCC propose to increase the heating charges for weddings and funerals from 1<sup>st</sup> September to £100 for winter charges and £60 for April - September. Fees to be reviewed every 6 months.</i></p> <p><i>Proposed - KB, seconded - MR, unanimously agreed</i></p> <p>3.3 Formal Appointment of new Vice Chair.</p> <p>No volunteers for the permanent role as yet.</p>	JT
22/05/04	<p><b>Vision and Strategy</b></p> <p>4.1 Parish gathering - not discussed - add to next agenda</p>	
22/05/05	<p>Worship, Spiritual Growth and Pastoral Care</p> <p>5.1 Service Provision (see Appendix 5.1).</p> <p>Following meetings with churchwardens and representatives and service leaders the proposed schedules have been drawn up for June - August. JT reported all services are covered.</p> <p>Due to changes in BA flights, PP is now unavailable to host the HC service at Elton on 24 July. The service will be changed to Granby.</p> <p>Schedules approved. JT to amend the spelling for J McGuirk</p> <p>5.2 Communion - reintroduction of wine and wafers</p> <p>Prior to leaving the meeting RC read out the current guidance from CofE re offering communion in both kinds.</p> <p>Current guidelines suggest that there should be a valid reason to continue with taking the bread only.</p> <p>The PCC are keen to take the next step to normality of congregations being offered communion in both kinds but are mindful of the concerns of those presiding and also the local rates of Covid.</p> <p>Stephen Hipisley-Cox who attended the meeting explained that churches in the deanery are doing different things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- some have already gone to offering communion in both kinds and allowing individuals in the congregation to decide whether they would like to share the cup or not. It is acceptable for members of the congregation to take the bread only.</li> <li>- some are still just offering bread only</li> <li>- the Bishop is not keen to have individual glasses of wine rather than one shared cup</li> </ul> <p>The PCC would like to take a vote at July's PCC about how to proceed with a view to reintroducing both kinds of communion from 1st August unless the situation with Covid deteriorates significantly in the meantime.</p>	JT

	<p>JT to canvas opinions from our service leaders.</p> <p><i>Proposal</i></p> <p><i>The PCC will reintroduce communion in both kinds from 1<sup>st</sup> August, subject to the opinions of the service leaders and the current Covid situation</i></p> <p><i>Proposed - RC, seconded - KB, unanimously agreed</i></p> <p>5.3 Rotas for services</p> <p>PCC all agreed that with the exception of prayers each church will staff all the roles at each service. JT will fill the intercessions slot for HC services from a group of volunteers who are comfortable leading intercessions.</p> <p>8.24pm - PS left the meeting</p>	
22/05/06	<p>Community and Outreach</p> <p>6.1 Wildlife Community Engagement</p> <p>RD reported that Colston Bassett (22/23 July), Langar (8/9 July) and Elton (15/16 July) are all keen to participate in the moth survey</p>	
22/05/07	<p><b>Children and Young People</b></p> <p>HT informed us that the families of newly baptised children in Cropwell Bishop have been invited to the next local church service to be introduced to the wider congregation. She recommended that similar arrangements be made as and when for other newly baptised people across the Parish</p>	
22/05/08	<p><b>Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Risk Assessments</b></p> <p>8.1 Safeguarding and DBS Report (see appendix 8.1 and 8.1b). Comprehensive reports.</p> <p>RD advised that the visit by RD and JT to Pop Up café on Saturday had been a success. 3 of the volunteers from Langar would like to have help completing the training so a small group session with coffee will be arranged.</p> <p>The new mobile safeguarding display is in Langar church and will be moved to Cropwell Bishop for the coffee, cake and chat visit on 18 May.</p> <p>8.2 First Aid training - JT advised the session on 12 May had been cancelled. As only a few would like the training it may be best for individuals to book onto courses held regularly at Sky Dive Langar. JT to find out and distribute details.</p>	<p>RD/JT</p> <p>JT</p>
22/05/09	<p>Wider Contacts</p> <p>9.1 Deanery Synod updates. SH-C advised the positive response to the Pastoral Principles Course run by the Deanery. He also emphasised the importance of the Deanery as a place for people to meet those from other churches , share good practice and exchange ideas.</p> <p>9.2 Diocesan Synod report. Due to meet next week</p> <p>9.3 General Synod Report. Due to meet in July</p>	
22/05/10	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>10.1 Commonwealth War Graves email</p>	<p>HT</p>

	<p>HT to ask at Cropwell Bishop Home Team if anyone would like to help / liaise with this</p> <p>TS to ask the Heritage / Church Group in Langar if anyone would like to help / liaise with this.</p> <p>10.2 Emails from Andrew Doughty re Enlightened Jesus</p> <p>RD gave some background information and advised she had been in discussion with the <b>Safeguarding</b> team at Jubilee House. Their advice is not to engage further</p> <p>RD advised that should people do not meet Andrew Doughty on their own to ensure that any conversations are not misconstrued.</p>	TS
22/05/11	<p><b>Matters for the next Meeting's Agenda</b></p> <p>Parish gathering to look at strategy</p>	
22/05/12	<p><b>Date and venue of next meetings</b></p> <p>11 July - HT to chair, 12 September, 14 November, 9 January, 13 March</p>	
	<p><b>SH-C closed the meeting with the peace at 08.54pm</b></p>	