



## **St Saviour Wendell Park**

### **Minutes of the APCM Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

#### **Vestry Meeting**

##### **Election of new PCC members – CL**

Thanks to AF and Job share - Cooks.

New – Katie (welcomed) CL proposed, LS 2<sup>nd</sup> All in favour

Simon – JW proposed, LM 2<sup>nd</sup> - all in favour

##### **Independent examiner - HW**

HW proposed Tony Simkin as independent examiner. VT 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favour

##### **1. Apologies and absence**

AF, Cooks, Susie, Eleanor, Claire

##### **2. Minutes of the APCM: (29 April 2018)**

No. JW proposed, 2<sup>nd</sup> ST. All in favour – accepted.

##### **3. Matters arising**

VT – floor in the church? – Keep an eye on the floor – polishing it.

#### **Reports**

##### **4. Opening comments**

##### **5. The Vicar's Report – CL**

Interesting year, great church – moving forward. CL became a vicar from priest in charge. Great sign of establishment. Children's and family have thrived. Thanks to LK. AO to take on the role. 16 children – top 5-10% of the country. Thanks to the team (rota). Increased in both services in numbers. Last year 9am average 24. This year average 31. Last year 11 am 37. This year 47.

Last year - 63 total This year - 78 total.

Settled into rhythm of 2 services. Established service times.

Biggest Christmas - few hundred. We do it well. PCC more outward looker.

Sophie Willis – writing for the charity.

Funding refugees with cricket bats.

Hall refurbishment. Thanks to JW, pushing mission and creating better publicity and communication. Keeping us accountable. Monthly prayer meetings, prayer walks.

YF – living in the house, our prayerfulness

Mums and tots – spiritual. Prayer requests. Some baptisms as a result. Keeps the community strong.

Special thanks, LK, AO, JB, RJ.

Encouragements – most churches in London is less than 50 on a Sunday. Get rid of the idea that we are a small church. Diocese would consider us as a middle-sized church. Ambition 150 people in 3 years.

Outward looking – not consumer Christians. Active in our faith. 4 methods: Intentionality. Gardening community. Drawing people in by loving them.

- How do we contact people?
- Nurture relationships.
- Commitment
- Growth

Focus on the areas that show signs of growth and life. Comma, not a full stop.

Questions – None.

#### **6. Junior Church Report – LK**

Thanks to LK. Excited about AO coming on board. 1 day a week. Cementing what happens on Sundays. Using the teams God given gifts to give children more variety. Investing in diddy disciples. Increases focus on scripture – actions, liturgy, crafts. Pick up and run with. Running training on this. Singing songbook focus. AO to make a booklet of what is up and coming.

A lot of our new people – missional in Junior church.

#### **7. PCC Report – LM**

Thanks to PCC members and all volunteers.

#### **8. Electoral Roll – DD**

Thanks to everyone who has filled in electoral roll. Anyone not quite made the deadline. Still available. Olive has now moved out the area. Recognise her – was a member here for 70 years. Recognising new and existing members.

#### **9. The presentation of the annual accounts – HW**

Accounts are 2018.

Started the year to a great surplus from 2017. Feeding into missional outreach.

Thanks to the congregation. Stewardship went down in the year. New members giving via standing order. Inflation happening - gas and electric. Costs to the church have gone up. Asking for financial support from members.

No questions. Thanks to HW for all her hard work.

#### **10. The Churchwarden's report – JW, LS**

**LS** – Small changes – low cost.

**Main costs** – lower hall refurbishment and enables us to charge more for lettings.

Thanks to OK for tech support and to save the church some money through this.

Thanks to VT for polishing the floor. Installed baby change station, greatly received.

**Questions** – Can we sell the original screens? CL – use them put them on the wall further back.

### 11. **Deanery Synod – Astrid**

Mixture of social issues and mission. Finding out what other churches do. Passing on faith – to young people. Highlighting on CL about relationships. Wednesday April 3 - ST Luke's Uxbridge road 7pm-7.30  
Father Richard Bastable – celebration.

### 12. **The Upper Room**

Works have started on the Upper Room. Very exciting. Grateful to the PCC. Temporary home in Becklow Gardens (Victoria House). Thanks to us for hosting talks. Always looking for volunteers. Very appreciative of discount on hiring the space upstairs.  
JW – outstanding speakers from the Upper Room however a low number (turnout) from St Saviours – action: develop communication in order to improve.

### **AOB**

VT – June Lewing – Died from cancer. Summer 2018. Recognised her 15 years of support at St Saviours.

### **Thanks**

Growing church –

- Judaline -above and beyond. Highest work ethic. Works longer because she wants to get the job done well. Amazing administrator
- Church wardens (LS, JW) Awesome work.
- Treasurer (HW) Amazing work!
- Thanks to VT payroll, gift aid.
- Thanks to AA for weekly banking.
- Lauren thanks for all the volunteering.
- Lilli Sin Hidge - fantastic organising.
- Grace Park – Great worship – brilliant team.
- Jon the organist. Developing a choir.
- Thanks to Chris – supporting us to be a great church.

### **Report**

CL proposed report, VT 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favour.

Closing prayers by Chris Lee