

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PCC 2018-19

MEMBERSHIP of the PCC. There is a current possible maximum of 33 members, plus co-options. The actual number at the end of the 2018 was 22 with one co-option. This is made up as:

All parish clergy *ex officio* - currently 6, following the departure of Revds Paddy Beresford in September 2018 and Guy Bridgewater in November 2018

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| Lay members | 29, made up of |
| <i>Ex officio</i> , | 3 churchwardens (2 in post) |
| | 8 lay members of Deanery Synod (4 in post, following the resignations of Elizabeth Jinks and Stephen Gledhill) |
| | 3 or however many members we happen to have on Diocesan Synod |
| <i>Elected laity</i> | 15. The PCC decided to allocate 3 places to each church. The final 3 places can be filled by any nominee. Robert Sanders and Kirsty Williams resigned during the year. |
| <i>Co-opted</i> | Following good practice on his appointment Richard Pearson, the Parish Lead Safeguarding officer, was co-opted to the PCC. |

Currently 13 individuals serve as lay members, sometimes filling several roles. There were unfortunately a number of vacancies.

In addition the Parish Treasurer and the Parish Youth Worker, if we have one in post, attend PCC meetings

OFFICERS. At the special PCC meeting after the APCM on 26 April 2018, Mr Nigel Stalley was elected as Vice-Chairman, Mr Paul Kirkbride was re-appointed as Treasurer (non-PCC member) and Mrs Brenda Large as Secretary. The Team Rector is formally the Chairman, but the Vice-chairman and other Team Vicars regularly chaired PCC meetings.

MEETINGS. The PCC has met five times since the last APCM, at the Church Centre, St John's or Holy Trinity. All meetings open with an act of worship. The number of members at meetings ranged from 15 to 21. The Standing Committee has met four times, and dealt with the full range of PCC work between PCC meetings. The Treasurer chairs a separate DCC Treasurers' group which advises on the details of financial management.

WORK OF THE PCC. Government legislation, Charity Commission requirements and safeguarding enhancement has meant that the PCC continues to work on the review and development of policies and the improvement of our procedures. In particular the Health and Safety Policy has proved a complex issue for our team parish. We continue to monitor all Off-Site activities for insurance purposes. Following the resignations of Judi Cox as Youth worker we discussed future youth provision and agreed a new job description before beginning recruitment. We are extending the use of Churchsuite for the handling of parish data. We have shared the plans individual churches have for building development. We were very pleased to be able to nominate a governor to St Mary's School. Finance is always a major topic. We have moved to electronic banking.

In the latter part of the year we have assisted the churchwardens and clergy in managing the interregnum, and have responded to the Archdeacon's review of the parish. During the course of this review it became clear that we need a fundamental governance review, to clarify the relationships between our PCC, DCCs and other organisations, including the Pre-school. As far as possible routine work to do with policy development, finance and buildings is handled by the Standing Committee.

I am always grateful to members and to the DCC secretaries for their tolerance, support and assistance.

Brenda Large, Hon. Sec. PCC, April 2019