

St Mary Magdalene PCC Minutes 8 May 2024

Present	Sonia Home, Tony Hughes, John Gwyther, Anna Mayo, Al Meadows, Caroline Owen, Kate Pinfold, Nick Powlesland, Simon Potter, Jerry Sandford, Julie Summers, Stephanie Wren, Edward Yates
Chair	Simon Potter
Minutes	Julie Summers
Apologies	Lucy Allen, Jema Ball, Caroline Jowett-Ive, Brian Richardson, Peter Robottom, Francis
	Parkinson Caroline Simpson, Vivienne Sutherland, Siân Steel, Hazel Trapnell

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1.0	Opening reflection and Prayer
	Simon reflected on passage John 1:14 and Stephanie opened in prayer.
2.0	Apologies
2.1	Apologies (see above).
3.0	Minutes of previous meeting
3.1	Caroline Owen proposed and Nick Powlesland seconded that the minutes were a true
	and accurate record. 8 abstained, 5 in favour. (As this amount of people does not
	cover a quorate for the meeting, the minutes will need to be approved at the next PCC
	meeting in July.)
3.2	There were no matters arising from the PCC Minutes
3.3	Leadership Team Meeting Notes – No matters arising.
4.0	Resourcing Mission
4.1	Our People
	Simon updated the PCC on a point for which Jema would value our prayers.
	Sonia Prayed.
	Simon said that LT have discussed and been reassured about cover for music/leading
	worship/preach/supervising Trinity students/supervising Julie's curacy in the autumn
	term, during his period of EMDL. He has already planned the teaching rota until
	January 2025.
	A question was asked about any new student's trinity: None in the pipeline at present
4.2	Our Finances
	4.2.1 Accounts 30 April 2024 Caroline talked us through and took questions. The overall picture is better than projected and Caroline was encouraged.
	4.2.2 Approving the 2023 Accounts. The 2023 accounts were discussed and
	approved. The PCC thanked Caroline for all her work as Treasurer, and gave
	thanks for all the giving of God's people.
	John Gwyther proposed and Alasdair Meadows seconded the approval of the
	2023 accounts for the annual report. 1 Abstention 12 in favour.
4.3	Our Buildings
	4.3.1 Sale of property owned by St Mary's
	Nick Powlesland - updated the PCC on sale of the property.
	There are 3x potential interested parties: an increased offer; two other
	viewings which may lead to offers. There has been a price drop and Leese and
	Nagle have been given an indication that we would look to change agents at
	the end of May.
	Simon canvassed the PCC on the level at which we might feel minded to pursue negotiations seriously with a potential buyer.
	ACTIONS: Nick to get in touch with Leese & Nagle to maintain the momentum with the end-of-May deadline approaching.

	Tony to contact Sian about the next steps in marketing the property beyond end-May (after APCM) and also whether further, formal, contact is needed with Tim Maggs the independent assessor.
5.0	Policies
	No policies to discuss
6.0	Mission and ministry updates and decisions
6.1	Worship and Teaching
	Simon gave a verbal update that plans for the autumn were taking shape including
	PCC ideas on teaching topics.
6.2	Outreach and Evangelism
	There are new faces around church. Simon encouraged everyone to welcome
	newcomers and look out for them.
6.3	Connect and Support
	Connect and Support are continuing to coordinate pastoral support in non-residential care settings. New Care home support team, Julie leading, gathering those involved in this ministry monthly at present.
6.4	Stoke Bishop CE Primary School
	The easter trail was a huge success. Rachel has been leading Prayer Spaces. Please pray for our Year 6s at this time of transition.
6.5	ASMA
	 6.5.1 Simon updated the PCC on the offer from George's wife Katie who is happy to extend her help with youth groups on a voluntary basis for the academic year ahead, in particular to support the Sunday afternoon BULB group. She is a former RE teacher with a current DBS check. Simon also updated the PCC on the ASMA Youth Minister saying that, although no applications had been received, ASMA leaders were minded to readvertise the role at an increased FTE salary rate of up to £30K. He also indicated that the Children's worker's salary would increase in line from September. Questions were received and discussed. The PCC warmly welcomed Katie's offer to help with our youth work Sonia Home proposed and John Gwyther seconded. All in favour
	 salary rate from £27,500 To £30,000 For mission area youth minister. 10 in favour 3 abstentions. Caroline Owen proposed and Stephanie Wren seconded to increase the children and family worker £27,500 to £30,000. 12 in favour 1 abstention. 6.5.2 Youth Sleepover Simon informed the PCC that the Leaders of Fuel are holding a Sleepover in
	the Church for the Youth on June 7th – 8th. The Leaders present will be Katie Brett, Nick Powlesland and Rachel Powlesland. They are also in conversation with Jema and Caroline to ensure a robust plan for safeguarding, particularly regarding sleeping arrangements.
6.6	Eco Church
	There was nothing to report.
6.7	Safeguarding Simon advised the PCC of a person who came to church in clerical collar at two services but who is not ordained in the Church of England and is not part of ASMA/our team. Jema had challenged her. Simon asked the PCC to be aware and to let a member of clergy know if they see someone in church appearing to be in an official capacity who they don't recognise.
7.0	Any Other Business
7.1	Those coming to the end of their PCC term

Anna Mayo Jerry Sandford Caroline Simpson Brian Richardson (returning as an ex-officio)
Simon Potter thanked those who had served on the PCC.

Date of Next PCC Meeting – Wednesday 10 July at 7.30pm in Church