

Parish of the Upper Wreake

MEETING OF PARISHIONERS TO ELECT CHURCHWARDENS AND ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

7.00p.m. Tues 5th April 2022 in Hoby Chapel.

Welcome: Revd. David welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies: Apologies were received from Janet Norburn (JN), Pru Smith (PS), Sue Smith (SS), Jeanne Knowles (JK), David Davies (DD), Liz Buxton (LB) & Sheila Taylor (ST)

Present:

Revd. David Harknett, Incumbent (DH), Chair

June Allsop (JA)

Canon Vic Allsop (VA)

Simon Blake (SB)

Canon Malcolm Britton (MB)

Jane Burgess (JB)

Lesley Potter (LP)

Crystal McAllister Pioneer Minister (CM)

Nicola Wheeler (NW)

Penny Coates (PC)

Meeting of Parishioners to elect Churchwardens (CW)

The following Churchwardens, duly nominated at their respective Annual District Church Council meetings, were elected unanimously:

- St. Thomas of Canterbury, Frisby on the Wreake: Simon Blake, Pru Smith
- All Saints' Hoby: Vic Allsop, Nicola Wheeler
- All Saints' Rotherby: Sue Smith, Lesley Potter
- All Saints' Ragdale: Jane Burgess
- St. Michael & All Angels Brooksby : Malcolm Britton, Jeanne Knowles
- St Peter , Kirby Bellars : no nominations received

DH thanked all those who are standing again . Nomination forms for CWs will be collected by Simon , returned to DH and the Diocese informed. **Action Simon**

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- 1 Minutes of the 2021 APCM held on Sunday, 29th April 2021 by Zoom :** The minutes were confirmed as a true record .
- 2 Matters arising from the Minutes:** None
- 3 Electoral Roll:** MB as Electoral Roll Officer stated that these remain the same as they were at Easter 2021 and he will issue a list when complete. **Action Malcolm.**

- 4 **Priest in Charge's Report:** In his report DH dealt with Finances , Buildings , Mission & Ministry . He compared Leicester with Lincoln in that changes were happening everywhere.
- 5 **Pioneer Minister's Report :** CM did not have anything to add to her report which can be seen in the 2021 APCM Annual Report
- 6 **South West Framland Group Council Report:** VA stated that the council last met just before the pandemic struck and that the next meeting would be on May 24th when a new SWF policy and 3 sets of accounts would be discussed.
- 7 **Frisby School Report :** DH looked at the school's achievements on a termly basis. Jhone Billings had joined them for a Lent Assembly . Stuart Northedge has stepped down and a new Head Teacher has been appointed.
- 8 **Rotherby House Group :** the group have been meeting at the church .
- 9 **Safeguarding Report:** JN was not present but her report can be viewed in the 2021 APCM Annual Report . SB had emailed her prior to the meeting to ask if she was willing to stand for the coming year and she agreed.
- 10 **All Saints', Hoby:** DH asked others to bring their thoughts to Hoby's report and God's Acre stood out as being special.
- 11 **All Saints', Ragdale:** The Easter service hosted by the Bowley's farm stood out in people's minds plus the fact that we now have a new Treasurer in the form of Penny Coates.
- 12 **St. Peter's, Kirby Bellars:** The Roof Resurrectors group have now developed greater friendships and met in Feb 2022 to have a social evening at the Flying Childers.
- 13 **St. Michael & All Angels, Brooksby :** CM was grateful for the weddings going on at Brooksby as she's learning how to do them! JK is taking more of a lead now .
- 14 **Rotherby :** Plants for Father's day was an innovative idea. Everyone is now waiting for the serving and the removal of 4 pews.
- 15 **St. Thomas of Canterbury, Frisby :** Lesley mentioned that the kitchen was nice but she hasn't seen the finished product!
- 16 **Bellringer's report :** see Martin Palin's report in the APCM Annual Report. VA also mentioned that no younger members are joining but that Martin would very much like to see Bellringing up and running again. NW suggested this could be advertised in the Community magazine. VA has been in touch the Diocesan Guild. The Melton team appear to be very committed and it was noted that payment for bellringers is £23 per rope.
- 17 **Deanery Synod :** These meetings have all been on zoom . Peter Hooper has now emigrated to France to take up his new appointment and John Barr appointed in his place. Date of next meeting : 27th April on Finance.
- 18 **Finance :** Steve Hardy , who we hope will be our new Examiner next year as well as this, is keen that all villages must show all their accts and not leave out their savings/restricted monies. He has also suggested that all 6 villages use common headings for Receipts and Payments. He will then be able to combine the 6 spreadsheets into a single Workbook which would generate the combined End of Year accounts at the press of a button. This would make succession planning more secure . In the first instance he would like to discuss this with VA & SB after Easter. (Item for next agenda). It is clear from the figures presented that , according to NW & VA, no church in the Upper Wreake has enough to run and develop their churches

properly. Item for next agenda : the possibility of a Funding Programme. All were in favour of adopting the accts.

Crystal's slide show of 174 photos was put on at this point and it gave a very colourful scenario of what each church had been doing over 2021. She was thanked with a clap !

19. Confirmation of Lay members of the PCC elected at each ADCM : all CWs including June Allsop for Hoby , Penny Coates for Ragdale and David Davies and Sheila Taylor for Kirby.

20. Election of 1 nominated rep from each DCC to the South West Framland Group Council: Brooksby MB, Frisby SB, Hoby VA, Kirby ST, Ragdale JB, Rotherby SS and LP.

21. Confirmation of one Safeguarding Contact for each District Church Council:

Brooksby: Jeanne Knowles

Frisby: Simon Blake

Hoby: Nicola Wheeler.

Kirby Bellars: David Davies

Ragdale: Jane Burgess

Rotherby: Ruth Robinson

22. Confirmation of three representatives to Framland Deanery Synod: Simon Blake. However all those on the PCC are entitled to be present at all meetings if they wish.

23. Appointment of Examiners for the Accounts (PCC and DCC's) : PCC ? Steve Hardy, Frisby Steve Hardy , Brooksby Judith Wells, Hoby Jane Burgess, Ragdale Vic Allsop, Kirby Bob Evans, Rotherby ?

24. Questions : MB asked when each church would be doing their Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis in order to contribute to the Minster Communities conversation . (Item for next agenda).

25. Dates of future PCC meetings : 26th May , 22nd Sept, 24th Nov 2022.

Parish of the Upper Wreake : first meeting of the PCC following the meeting of Parishioners to elect Churchwardens and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

1. Election of Vice Chair of the Upper Wreake PCC : Simon Blake
2. Election of Honorary Secretary of the Upper Wreake PCC : no nominations received.
3. Election of Honorary Treasurer of the Upper Wreake PCC : no nominations received
4. Appointment of Safeguarding Officer (Children and Adults) of the Upper Wreake PCC : Janet Norburn
5. Making a difference : see Crystal's slide show.
6. Date of next PCC meetings : 26th May 2022 at 2.30p.m. Venue tba.