

**Minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)
Sunday 19th April 2026, 11.30am in Church**

Meeting of Parishioners

Present: Mr Andrew Barnes, Mrs Susan Barnes, Miss Karen Broaders, Miss Jennifer Ehlinger, Miss Janet Holmes, Dr Louise Hurrell, Mr Simon Hurrell, Mr Peter Leighton, Mrs Susan Leighton, Mrs Ann Lucas, Mr John Lucas, Mr Keith Pickup, Mr Vincent Ryder, Rev'd David Ridley (Chair), Mrs Judith Shaw (Minutes), Mrs Karen Shaw, Ms Anne Truman.

1. Apologies received

Mrs Susan Bowden, Mrs Elin Cole, Mr Gordon Mosley, Mrs Linda Mosley, Mrs Anne Roberts, Mr John Roberts, Mrs Caroline Ryder, Mrs Lilian Schofield.

2. Minutes of the last meeting of Parishioners

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th April 2025 be accepted as a true record of the meeting by Mrs Ann Lucas, and seconded by Mr Peter Leighton. Passed unanimously. The minutes were duly signed as a true record of the meeting by Rev'd David Ridley (Chair).

3. Election of New Wardens

The following nominations had been received:

Mrs Susan Leighton, proposed by Mrs Judith Shaw, seconded by Mrs Anne Roberts.

Mrs Susan Barnes, proposed by Mrs Susan Leighton, seconded by Mrs Ann Lucas.

Mrs Susan Leighton and Mrs Susan Barnes were declared elected as Wardens for 2026/27.

Rev'd David Ridley thanked Mrs Ann Lucas and Mrs Susan Leighton for their service as church wardens, particularly during the interregnum, and for their great support over the past seven months. He also expressed thanks to Mrs Ann Lucas for her long service, and to Mrs Susan Barnes and Mrs Susan Leighton for standing as wardens for 2026/27.

There being no other business, the meeting was declared closed.

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1. Welcome

Rev'd David Ridley welcomed everyone to the meeting, and expressed his thanks for the welcome, help and support he had received since his licensing last September. He then opened with a prayer.

2. Apologies received

Mrs Susan Bowden, Mrs Elin Cole, Mr Gordon Mosley, Mrs Linda Mosley, Mrs Anne Roberts, Mr John Roberts, Mrs Caroline Ryder, Mrs Lilian Schofield.

3. Minutes of last year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting

It was proposed that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th April 2025 be accepted as a true record of the meeting by Mr Simon Hurrell, seconded by Ms Anne Truman. Passed unanimously. The minutes were duly signed as a true record of the meeting by Rev'd David Ridley (Chair).

4. Matters arising from the minutes

None.

5. Reports

i. Electoral Roll

Mrs Susan Barnes, Electoral Roll Officer, reported that the 2026 electoral roll was not a full revision and had not undergone any changes. Consequently, the number remained at 40.

ii. Report on the Parish (previously circulated)

Report received. Rev'd David Ridley reiterated his thanks to everyone for their continued efforts and presence in the community. One of the areas of work with the PCC was to determine priorities and make progress on them. This might include something with pre-school children, following a conversation with a parent who was bringing child to baptism and was keen to forge closer ties to the church. This was a consideration for further discussion. Rev'd David looked forward to the year ahead.

iii. Treasurer's Report (previously circulated)

The report, prepared by Mr Peter Leighton and independently examined by Mr Peter Cooper, was accepted by the PCC at the meeting held on 10th March 2026. The estate of Simon and Louise Hurrell's uncle had left a large legacy of £34,000 to the church. However, finances were on a slight downward trend and a presentation to the congregation was being considered. The diocese was running a deficit, and was aiming to achieve a balanced budget over the next few years.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr Peter Leighton (Treasurer) and Mrs Anita Heseltine (Cashier).

iv. Report on Fabric Goods and Ornaments of the Church (previously circulated)

Report received. Mr Simon Hurrell confirmed the Quinquennial was due this year. He expressed his gratitude to the ten people who cleaned the church, the attendees of the monthly working party and Mr Andrew Barnes for his maintenance of the lighting. Mrs Ann Lucas noted a priority was to find a replacement heating system over the next twelve months.

v. Deanery Synod Report (previously circulated)

Report received. It was noted that each meeting had a theme and provided an opportunity to share experiences with people from other parishes.

vi. Church Life and Activities Report (previously circulated)

Report received. Mr Peter Leighton, Safeguarding lead, noted that the Church of England would be auditing dioceses next year, including a selection of parishes. He would contact individuals regarding their DBS checks.

Rev'd David Ridley had compiled a list of the church's activities and identified potential areas for collaboration among the churches in Glossopdale. It was a pleasure to see all the people who worked and contributed to the life of the church.

6. Elections

i. Deanery Synod (2 vacancies)

Mr Andrew Barnes, proposed by Mrs Karen Shaw and seconded by Mrs Isobel Sims.

Mrs Claire Smith, proposed by Mrs Ann Lucas and seconded by Mr Simon Hurrell.

Rev'd David Ridley thanked Mrs Anne Roberts and Mrs Judith Shaw for their service as Deanery Synod representatives for the past three years, and to Mr Andrew Barnes and Mrs Claire Smith for standing.

ii. PCC (4 vacancies)

There were two vacancies to serve for two years (until 2028), and two vacancies to serve for three years (until 2029).

The following nominations had been received:

Miss Janet Holmes, proposed by Mr Keith Pickup and seconded by Mrs Judith Shaw.

Mr Vincent Ryder, proposed by Mrs Ann Lucas and seconded by Mrs Susan Leighton.

Mrs Judith Shaw, proposed by Mrs Susan Barnes and seconded by Mr Andrew Barnes.

Mrs Karen Shaw, proposed by Mr Simon Hurrell and seconded by Mr Andrew Barnes.

There were no further nominations so all four were duly elected.

Rev'd David Ridley and Mrs Judith Shaw would determine the length of service for each member.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr John Roberts and Mr Simon Hurrell for their service on PCC over the last three years; to Mrs Judith Shaw and Mr Vincent Ryder for their decision to stand again; and to Miss Janet Holmes and Mrs Karen Shaw for their offer to stand. Passed unanimously.

7. Appointments

i. Independent Examiner

It was understood that Mr Peter Cooper would be willing to be appointed again.

The meeting formally extended a vote of thanks to Mr Peter Cooper for acting as Independent Examiner, proposed by Mr Simon Hurrell, and seconded by Mr Andrew Barnes. Passed unanimously.

8. Any Other Business

None.

The meeting closed with prayer at 12.25pm.