St Nicholas Church, Durham

Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Monday 24th May 2021 at 7:30pm (also via Zoom)

Present: Wardens and members of St Nicholas Church Electoral Roll; approximately 68 people.

Opening prayer: Rev Arun Arora

Apologies for absence: Karen McMullen, Dave Ross, Vicky and Steve Cave, Lydia Cave, Alex Cave, Janet and George McHugh, Brandon and Brittany Hurlbert, Angus and Sara Goudie, Helen Clark.

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Election of Church Wardens: Mary Anne Freer and Alan Smith, currently Churchwardens, were proposed to continue in their roles. Passed unanimously. AA thanked both for all that they do and give.

**APCM**

Approval of the minutes of the 2020 Annual Parochial Church Meeting Accepted unanimously.

Matters arising: No matters arising.

Electoral Roll report: Kate Dawson, Electoral Roll Officer, had submitted the report.

The Electoral Roll of 2020 stood at 195. The electoral role was revised in full this year, and now stands at 198.

Elections to Deanery Synod: AA thanked Lorraine Longthorne who has acted as St Nic’s representative.

There are currently 2 vacancies. One nomination form has been received; James Cochran.

Elections to the Parochial Church Council: Wendy Hughes and Richard Swann wish to be re-elected. Formally received.

AA gave grateful thanks for the work of the PCC.

Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2020

The Treasurer presented the financial report. See report.

The Treasurer reported that a very successful Gift Day will allow for maintenance and missional work to go ahead.

Acceptance of the accounts proposed by AL, seconded by AHS: accepted unanimously.

Appointment of Independent Examiner: Jane Ashcroft (Jane Ashcroft Accountancy, Barnard Castle) proposed as the independent examiner for this year.

MAF proposed, PA seconded: approved unanimously.

Appointment of Stewards: It was proposed that the Appointment of Stewards be delegated to the Churchwardens. Passed unanimously.

Vicar’s report: Discussed and received with thanks.

AA urged everyone to read the ministry reports which are a great cause for rejoicing.

Any other business: none

AA closed with a blessing. Meeting closed at 8.28pm