

St Peter's Church Burnham Annual Review 2021



**ST PETER'S CHURCH, BURNHAM
ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 2022
SUNDAY 8TH MAY 2022**

AGENDA for the Meeting of Parishioners (vestry meeting)

1. Minutes of the meeting 2021
2. Election of 2 Parish Wardens

AGENDA for the Annual Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. APCM minutes 2021
3. Vicar's Report
4. Churchwardens' Report (Inventory and Logbook for presentation to the meeting)
5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2021
6. PCC Report
7. Deanery Synod Report
8. Electoral Roll changes since 2021
9. ELECTIONS
 - PCC Members
 - Sidespeople
10. Appointment of Independent Examiner for coming year
11. A.O.B
12. Date for APCM 2023
13. Closing Prayer

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PARISHONERS (VESTRY MEETING) ST PETER'S CHURCH
BURNHAM
SUNDAY 13TH JUNE 2021**

Present at **both** meetings: -

21 Parishioners present together with Revd. Janet (Vicar) and Revd Samson (Curate) Pam Rogers (Warden) Pete Lewis (Warden) Sheila Warburton (Treasurer) Jackie Loveday (Secretary)
The meeting was chaired by the Revd Janet

APOLOGIES

Paulann Walker
Clive Walker
Joan Haley
Pam May
Hazel Edwards

1 MINUTES OF THE VESTRY MEETING 2020

PROPOSED BY JENNY, SECONDED BY FIONA, AGREED UNANIMOUSLY.

2 ELECTION OF TWO CHURCH WARDENS

TWO NOMINATIONS RECEIVED: -

PETE LEWIS, PROPOSED BY PAM ROGERS, SECONDED BY MICHELLE DUNSTER,
AGREED UNANIMOUSLY

PAM ROGERS PROPOSED BY PETE LEWIS, SECONDED BY MICHELLE DUNSTER,
AGREED UNANIMOUSLY

PETE LEWIS AND PAM ROGERS WERE DULY APPOINTED CHURCHWARDENS.

It was clarified that the usual term of office does not exceed 6 years, but this can be extended with agreement.

It was emphasised that it was important for others to consider wardenship in the future and that opportunities are there for learning more about the role and its commitments.

Sincere thanks were given to Pam and Pete for all they have contributed to the church and its people over this last incredibly busy and challenging year.

MEETING CLOSED AT 11.25AM

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
ST PETER'S CHURCH BURNHAM 13TH JULY 2021

THE MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY REVD JANET

1 APOLOGIES.

PAULANN WALKER
CLIVE WALKER
JOAN HALEY
PAM MAY
HAZEL EDWARDS

2. THE MINUTES OF THE APCM 2020 WERE NOT AVAILABLE TO BE READ. SINCERE APOLOGIES WERE GIVEN TO THE CONGREGATION. THEY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE AT TO ALL AT THE SUNDAY SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY 20TH JULY. (THE MINUTES HAVE NOW BEEN SEEN AND AGREED WITH ONE SMALL ALTERATION TO THE FINANCIAL REPORT.DESIGNATED FUNDS SHOULD READ RESTRICTED FUNDS. PROPOSED BY SHEILA WARBURTON, SECONDED BY JENNY DOBSON.UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.20/6/2021).

3. VICAR'S REPORT

Revd Janet outlined the contents of the report detailing the challenging nature of the months in which lockdown and Covid restrictions had put some plans on hold, but how so much had been achieved despite this. New ways of working had been quickly adopted and through adaptation, links to each other had been maintained and work within the community had been accomplished. Much of this was due to the hard work of members of the congregation whose expert advice and support of the clergy enabled these things to happen. There were no queries.

THE VICAR'S REPORT WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONGREGATION

4. CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

THE TERRIER (INVENTORY) AND LOGBOOK WERE ON DISPLAY AND AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION FOR INSPECTION.

THESE WERE SIGNED OFF BY REVD JANET, PETE LEWIS (WARDEN), PAM ROGERS (WARDEN) AND 2 MEMBERS OF THE PCC, JANE SLATTER AND EMMA WARBURTON.

(It was stated that copies in IT format are kept in case original hard copies are destroyed).

There was nothing further to add to the Wardens' Report except to thank the congregation for their co operation and understanding as our wardens worked to follow Government guidance to keep everyone in the building safe during the pandemic.

Q What is the situation with Badgers in the Church yard?

A Progress held up due to Covid but a licence is due to be issued soon to move towards resolving the problem.

Q. What is the situation regarding new banners?

A. The designs are complete, and this is being progressed. The previous banners are still available for use in the meantime.

Q. What is being done to improve internet connectivity in church?

A. The present contract runs out in August and a new provider will be sought.

Thanks were expressed from the congregation on behalf of those living outside the parish who were thankful for all the efforts made to keep in touch during lockdown.

THE WARDENS' REPORT WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONGREGATION.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020.

The work carried out by the Treasurer over the last few challenging months was recognised and thanks to good financial management we were able to meet our Parish Share, helped by Endowment monies.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONGREGATION.

6. PCC REPORT

THE PCC REPORT WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONGREGATION

7 DEANERY SYNOD REPORT

The new Area Dean will take up post in Sept.

Revd Janet was thanked for her service as Acting Area Dean in the past months.

THE DEANERY SYNOD REPORT WAS RECEIVED BY THE CONGREGATION.

8 ELECTORAL ROLL CHANGES SINCE 2020

4 names removed

8 new names added

105 names in total on Electoral Roll.

THESE FIGURES WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIOCESE.

9 ELECTIONS

PCC MEMBERS

4 Nominations had been received

Hannah Lewis, proposed by Pam Rogers, seconded by Michelle Dunster.
Approved unanimously.

Steve Dobson, proposed by Pam Rogers, seconded by Pete Lewis
Approved unanimously.

Maggie Hockin, proposed by Barry Marsden, seconded by Ian Fordyce
Approved unanimously

John Carey, proposed by Cliff Blundell, seconded by Pete Lewis.
Approved unanimously.

Retiring PCC member **Marlene West** was thanked for her service.

SIDESPEOPLE

Sue Bleach	Kate Fisher
Kiki Kuponiyi.	Jackie Loveday
Lorna Pecover	Maggie Rivett
Gill Scurr	
Ian Fordyce	

All were duly declared appointed.

10. APPOINTMENT OF THE FINANCIAL EXAMINER FOR THE COMING YEAR

Roger Webb, proposed by Sheila Warburton (Treasurer), seconded by Ian Fordyce.
Approved Unanimously.

11. A.O.B

There were no additional items received.

Revd Janet expressed sincere thanks on behalf of the Clergy, Wardens and congregation to the following people who went above and beyond their remit enabling so much to continue during the pandemic.

Pete Lewis (Warden)

Pam Rogers (Warden)

Steve Dobson (IT)

Rob Dunster (H&S)

The Pastoral Care Team

Sheila Warburton (Treasurer)

Fiona and David Burrige (Churchyard garden care)

Michelle Dunster (Puppet Ministry)

Cliff Blundell (Hand Bells)

Emma Warburton (Rectory Garden Choir)

Jenny Dobson (Rectory Garden Choir)

A social gathering in the Rectory Garden for PCC members will take place when possible.

The meeting closed with prayer at 12 noon.

Vicar's Report January-December 2021

Vicar's report for the Annual Parochial Church Council of St Peter's Church, Burnham January 2021 until December 2021

Administrative Information

St Peter's Church,
Church Street
Burnham
Buckinghamshire

Vicar: Revd Janet Minkkinen

Curate: Revd Samson Kuponiyi

Retired Priest with PTO: Revd Sue Smith

LLMs with PTO: Barry Marsden and Ian Fordyce

Churchwardens: Pam Rogers and Peter Lewis

PCC members:

Lay Chair: Peter Lewis

Treasurer: Sheila Warburton

PCC Secretary: Jackie Loveday

Jane Slatter, Hannah Lewis, Chris Knight, Emma Warburton, Fiona Burrige, Rob Dunster, Michaela Cottrell, Steve Dobson, John Carey,
(Marlene West and Maggie Hockin stepped down from the PCC)

Safeguarding

Emma kept this all up to date with new information and safeguarding notice. All those who are working with children or vulnerable adults are attending or have attended training. A new dashboard is in place and we are beginning to work through all the documents that will need to be in place.

Deanery Synod Representatives: John Carey, Pam Rogers, Sheila Warburton

We are a church with heart at the heart of the community.

St Peter's Church is at the centre of the parish and village of Burnham and is an Inclusive, eucharistically centred church in the liberal catholic tradition. Our church family is an active and visible presence in the heart of the Burnham community, strong on fellowship and celebrating God's love with those around us. Our services offer a range of worship for all ages.

Our Mission Action Plan is at the heart and permeates all that we do:

We are an Inclusive Church, part of a network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision. We believe in inclusive church – a church which celebrates and affirms every person and does not discriminate.

We care about our environment, we hold a bronze Eco Church award with A Rocha and nearly have our silver.

We affirm the faith of children and have created new ways to worship.

We care about those less fortunate than ourselves and set up Care and Share with Burnham Health Trust. Our Church school of St Peter's holds a policy of being inclusive.

Our Worship

Book of Common Prayer 8am every Sunday. Common Worship Parish Eucharist, sung with organist and choir at 10am. WOW (walking on water) children's service 10am on the 2nd Sunday. WoW is led by a team of six people, planning services and leading. Our Eco and Healing Eucharist 2nd Sunday alternately every Sunday at 4pm. The Eco service is planned and led by Ian and/or Barry and they preach. The healing services are led by clergy and Jackie. We hold a Midweek Eucharist on Wednesdays at 12.30pm.

We reach out in mission by having many other varied and pastoral services. Ash Wednesday Eucharist was held online with every one being sent a card with ashes on. My many thanks to Revd Sue Smith our retired priest who covers my holidays and is now taking an active role in ministry in this place.

The Church Body

I would like to thank each one of you in your various ministries who minister so hard to make St Peter's a vibrant, loving, welcoming and lively community, especially during this past year of being in lockdown between January 2021 and Palm Sunday 2021. It has been a real challenge as we gradually come out of the Covid restrictions, working through the best way forward. My thanks go to the PCC in all of your various ministries, especially to our Churchwardens Pam and Peter. You really have the most amazing Churchwardens who are so dedicated to Jesus Christ and to St Peter's. Also Rob for having to write up the Covid health and safety procedures that seemed to be done every week and every occasion to keep everyone safe. Also to Pam in her administration role, still coming into work and also to Frances our cleaner, who had to do a lot more cleaning. For Steve getting our services online and for Sheila our Treasurer making sure that all our finances didn't suffer with lockdown and we were kept on track with payments, bills and banking. Also thanks to our Deanery Synod reps, working together alongside Burnham and Slough Deanery, supporting me in my role covering the vacancy of Area Dean.

To those who have kept in contact pastorally, phoning and checking people, and praying for them. For our choir singing when we couldn't, for Brian our Organist and especially for Cliff and his bell ringing Sunday by Sunday and at baptisms. Also for those involved with the tower and ringing. It was truly a blessing to hear the bells again. This is a really big Thankyou to you all who have let the light of Christ shine in a very dark and difficult year.

We had a wonderful celebration when Revd Samson was ordained as a priest and his first Eucharist was held in St Petertide.

Buildings

St Peter's Church and Cornerstone

The churchyard is closed: The north churchyard is looked after by Burnham Council, the south churchyard by Bucks County Council. We are open to interment of ashes- this is agreed by the vicar.

Figures for Mission year 2021

Baptisms: 9

Funerals: Crematorium 24 Church 7

Weddings 4

Mission Action Plan 2021 agreed by PCC

Children

One of the biggest changes that took place was our WOW children services. These are led by a group of different people, allowing a change of ideas and creativity. The liturgy is designed and written completely for children. They have crafts, songs and creative prayers. Some of the services are Eucharistic and the children lead alongside clergy. This service is growing with parents from our toddler group Little Angels, Baptism families, Girls Brigade, St Peter's School and others in our parish who are hearing about it.

The Parents and Toddler group has been faithfully led by Ian for many years, but it was never really connected to the church or to the Christian faith. This has now been transformed, we received a grant to buy new toys and rugs. We send out a termly newsletter and weekly email. Crafts are now Christian based and we end each session with a bible story. We have created more space by opening the sliding doors. We have a team of people who provide hospitality. The name of the group has become Little Angels. We end each term with a themed party, such as Christmas, Easter etc

Jenny, Emma and the team continue to run Girls' Brigade. They are certainly a blessing to our church, supporting things that we do especially WOW services leading and sharing their gift of music.

We have welcomed into the church many of our different uniformed groups as they learn about faith and collect their faith badge.

The Puppets for All led at our annual Christingle, raising money for The Children's Society, a real joy to have the church full. They led a service for Pentecost. A really fantastic ministry that they give not only to St Peter's, but to many other local groups as well as uniformed children organisations.

We held a group for mums with newborns called Lockdown Babies for mums to meet other mums.

St Peter's School

This year saw us needing more foundation governors for the school. Sue Lowe and Maggie Rivett from St Peter's Church agreed and were accepted as new Foundation governors from the church.

Vicar and Curate are now regulars in the school, helping out in RE lessons, leading assemblies. They have visited Care and Share, they also collect Harvest donations. We held online services and talks about Easter.

Year 6 after a visit to St Peters and hearing about William Grenville wanted to do more. They have written to Joy Morrison MP and presented her with a book so that parliament also remembers him.

Care and Share written by Revd Samson

We continue to serve some of the needy in our community through our partnership with Burnham Health Promotion Trust at Burnham Care and Share. Although sad that this service is needed, the generosity of the community has meant that we are able to meet as many needs as come our way. Churches and schools have donated their harvest food items to us during the year. Also, some organisations supported us with food, cleaning, and sanitary items. We continue to work with the Buckinghamshire County Council and in the year under review, in recognition of our

service they gave a total of £12,332.50 as grant to pay for food items which were given out to clients. Tesco customers also voted for us, as a charity within the community to be supported by Tesco – this meant we were awarded £1,000.00 by Tesco to support our work.

Earlier in the year, we outgrew our operating base at May's Chocolate Shop on the High Street, and in November Burnham County Council granted us the temporary use of Burnham Park Hall (BPH). We are currently operating from the BPH, while we continue to look for a more permanent venue. In December, we were made aware of some new residents that potentially needed our help, and the Burnham County Council awarded us £500.00 in grocery vouchers to support the residents.

Throughout the year, we served monthly average of 215 clients (children and adults), with an average costing of about £19.65 per visit. This is excluding emergency bags for one-off persons who are not on our client list. Worth mentioning that clients come on and off our list as the need is assessed. We were able to provide for clients' basic food, sanitary and cleaning needs. We also give our clients fruit and vegetable vouchers which they are able to claim at the local Budgens. We have supported some clients with energy bills and have been able to direct some clients to other organisations such as Citizens Advice Bureau, or other charities which have supported such clients with other needs – school uniform for children, boiler replacement. We continue to pursue our goal which is a holistic assistance to get our clients back on their feet and not just helping with food.

In conclusion a big thank you to the community at large and members at St Peter's Church for your continued support of Burnham Care & Share. Psalm 41 v 1 – Blessed are those who consider the needy; the Lord will deliver them in the time of trouble.

Inclusive Church

We attained formal notification that we are registered as an Inclusive Church. This is now on all our material, posters and communication. Our inclusivity is reflected in our prayers and sermons. All are welcome in ministry.

Eco Church

We are working towards our silver Eco Church award from A Rocha. We held our Eco fair, with Zoe Hatch our Green Councillor attending. We supported James Wragg as he cycled around Great Britons coastline raising funds for the World Land Trust. We hold Eco Celtic services every other month, the sermons focus on the environment. We applied for a grant to pay Men's Sheds to make bird and bat boxes for our churchyard. Local community children's groups made bird feeders for our trees in the churchyard for Christmas. Girls' Brigade created a bug hotel in the churchyard and re-vamped the children's chairs by painting them. We continue to collect used stamps that Cathy organises for the Air Ambulance. We also collect bread bags, crisp packets and ink cartridges for various organisations. We are continuing to work alongside Eco Partnership collecting clothes etc in our clothes bank. We collect food from Tesco for those in our Little Angels group. It lovely to have all of nature around us, the badgers continue to be a problem and we are looking at ways to stop them enlarging their sett.

Our Ministry in the Parish of St Peter's Burnham

We regularly meet as a Ministry team, planning rotas, worshipping together and sharing. The PCC and Finance and Standing committees meet every other month. We started Stewardship meetings so that we could discuss ways to improve our finances and make them work for mission.

My thanks to our LLMs Ian and Barry, taking Holy Communion and leading hymns in Nicholas House, Lent Rise and Forget Me Not care homes and for preaching. Also for Jo taking Home

Communion to many housebound parishioners, giving thanks for her ministry. Our pastoral care and Listeners under the leadership of Michaela have been there for all those who need them. We invited all the Pastoral Care listeners to a tea at the Rectory. They organised and help lead our annual Loved Ones Departed Service.

Clergy are meeting and praying alongside clergy from the Jubilee River Group.

Loved Ones Departed Service inviting those whose contact we have made through funerals, planned and led by Clergy and laity.

Returning to Church on Palm Sunday was a joy, Cathy made the Easter garden, Revd Samson led Stations of the Cross, we held our first Tenebrae service and following our Maundy Thursday Eucharist we had a prayer WATCH until midnight. The Puppets led the children on Good Friday on line and we held a creative Good Friday Liturgy in the afternoon. It was wonderful to have the Holy Fire and Dawn service for Easter Day.

We led prayers at the Remembrance Service in Burnham Park and followed by a service in St Peter's.

The Puppets held a Pentecost Service in church and online.

Clergy lead worship with the Sisters at Burnham Abbey

Christians (churches) Together we held a picnic in the park and Revd Samson organised the stall at the Lions Christmas Fair, giving away mulled wine and mince pies, also handing out service times for the churches for Christmas.

The Church won the rounders match against the Girls' Brigade and a huge thankyou to Jenny for organising.

The Tree of Hearts in our Churchyard was a blessing to our community, remembering all those who have died, this was published in the local papers and became a central point in our community.

Social and fundraising organised an online Pancake party and Quiz. We held a bottle tombola at the Donkey Derby and click and collect Cream teas from the fair and the Rectory. We held Beer, Pimms and Hymns, and Carols and Mulled Wine at the Rectory.

Bible study was held online and in person. We studied the Resurrection, the Lord's Prayer, The Bible and the Creeds. We have met on Tuesday nights and Friday lunchtime. Revd Samson led a bible study in Advent on Ruth.

We held the annual Remembrance Service leading prayers at the war Memorial followed by a service in Church.

We held a PCC BBQ at the Rectory to say thank you for all their hard work.

Cliff and Revd Janet organised Tea, Tinsel and Tinkling for older members of our congregation at Christmas.

The Holy Stitchers made knitted pocket crosses to be given out, and continue to work on the Stations of the Cross and prayer shawls. They filled the church decorating it with knitted poppies for Remembrance. Their creation banner was placed at the High Altar. Gill Scurr organised a wonderful Christmas Tea for the members of Holy Stitchers.

We collected food at Harvest for Care and Share.

We continue to have a good rota of readers, intercessors, sides people, servers, chalice bearers, people offering hospitality at all our services and vergers for our services.

Revd Janet Minkinen

Churchwarden's Report 2021

As we write this report we are beginning to see the light at the end of the Covid tunnel. The Government, Church of England and the diocese have lifted all restrictions although there are still plenty of cases in our community. We can begin to get back to normal for all our services and activities. Many of our groups have now returned to Cornerstone and although the income is much needed it is more satisfying to see the building busy again. Our heartfelt thanks go to our long suffering Health and Safety Officer Rob Dunster, he seems to have spent the last two years writing an endless stream of risk assessments!

As most of you will no doubt noticed we now have our new altar frontals and laudian cloths, some of which have already been in use. Watch out for others as we go through the year. As we reported last year these have mostly been paid for by generous donations from members of the congregation and we are extremely grateful.

Our hymn books were over 20 years old and becoming rather tatty; these were replaced with new Common Praise hymn books and were entirely funded by donations from members of our congregation and the wider St Peter's community.

We purchased an new Bible and it is now in place on the lectern in the body of the church as required by Canon Law.

We continue to struggle with our rodent problems, we have now had the gaps at the eaves covered with mesh which seems to be keeping the squirrels out and we have had high-tech electronic traps put in to tackle our ongoing mouse problem, as well as a contract with Rentokill. The badgers continue to be active in the churchyard and seem to be quite unaffected by the churchyard wall being blown down on top of their earthworks! We have met with the Diocese, Natural England, ecologists and an archaeologist to discuss the way forward, and are currently awaiting further advice.

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission approached us to request permission to erect signs indicating we have war graves (16) in our churchyard. Permission for this was granted by the PCC. The signs were installed, paid for, and will be maintained by the Commission on a permanent basis.

While we're in the churchyard we would like to record our thanks to Fiona and David Burrige and their team for all their hard work in keeping everything looking so good.

We have now had our belated Quinquennial Inspection and have a list of things that we have to get done over the next five years. We plan to form a Fabric Committee in the very near future to plan and oversee these works.

It has been a source of great joy to worship together face to face. Also trying to hold meetings while struggling with the vagaries of electronic devices has been a strain and it's a relief to get back to "proper" meetings. We switched our telephone and internet to BT in the summer and this has greatly improved our connectivity both in the church and the office.

St Peter's wouldn't run without all the volunteers who fill the many roles that keep things running, the PCC, sides people, choir, LLMS, musicians, bellringers, intercessors, servers, lay preachers, flower arrangers, Cornerstone volunteers and the many others. Thank you from both of us!

We thank God for our amazing clergy, for Reverend Janet, Reverend Samson and Reverend Sue. During another difficult year they have been stars!

Pam & Pete

Safeguarding Report 2021

1. Introduction

We are working in line with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance to ensure all volunteers and employees complete the relevant safeguarding training and have an appropriate DBS check. Safeguarding is now a standard agenda item at all PCC meetings, where an update is given about changes to procedures and any subsequent actions required. Revd Janet and I also met once during the year to go into more detail about the direction in which we needed to go.

2. Formal Obligation

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

3. Safeguarding Roles

Emma Warburton is the Parish Safeguarding Officer, DBS Recruiter and Verifier.

4. Safeguarding Policy, Guidance and Information

We have accepted the Church of England's Safeguarding Policy and this is displayed on the notice board in Cornerstone and in the South Porch. All safeguarding procedures are carried out in line with the policy and the Church of England Parish Safeguarding Handbook. For the recruitment of new volunteers, the Code of Safer Working Practice is starting to be followed.

5. Safeguarding Learning and Development

Safeguarding training needs to be renewed every three years at the highest level previously completed, however the specialist courses also need completing every three years as well. The following courses have been completed by this number of people during 2021:

- Basic Awareness - 2
- Foundations - 3
- Leadership - 0
- Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse - 6
- Parish Safeguarding Officer Introduction - 1

6. Safer Recruitment and People Management

As new volunteers are taking on roles we are starting to follow the Safer Recruitment and People Management Guidance. In particular, ensuring volunteers have completed the relevant safeguarding training module(s) and have a DBS check where necessary. We will be making sure that references are taken for people who take up volunteer positions and we will be looking for someone to take on this post to make sure that all the necessary paperwork is in place for each role before the position is started.

7. Concerns Raised - Number of safeguarding concerns shared with Parish

We have made no referrals during 2021

8. Additional Information

There are a lot of people who need to renew their safeguarding training as the majority completed their initial training in 2018 and it needs to be renewed every three years at the highest level they completed. Most of the courses are now available online, but if this is a problem for anyone then alternatives can be arranged.

9. Next Steps

The diocese has introduced an online dashboard, which enables us to ensure everything is in place with regards to safeguarding. We now need to focus on making sure that along with the overall safeguarding policy being in place, other policies are in place as well. There will also be a focus on making sure that all church groups are on the dashboard and that each group is following all of the requirements that it needs to.

Emma Warburton

PCC Report 2021

There are at present 17 members of the PCC.

One resignation was received at the Sept 2021 meeting.

The PCC met via zoom in Feb and April 2021 to comply with Government Covid regulations and finally met together in person in May 2021. In total 6 meetings plus 1 Extraordinary meeting have been held in 2021

The PCC is responsible for the financial affairs of the church and for the care and maintenance of the fabric of the church and its contents.

Every PCC is a charity of which PCC members are Trustees.

An Extraordinary Meeting in May was led by Jane Slatter, Stewardship lead, and Sheila Warburton, Treasurer, whose presentation explored our responsibilities as Trustees relating to the good stewardship of the Endowment monies.

The early part of the year was dominated by supporting the Clergy and Churchwardens in decision making around Government Covid Regulations.

Decisions were made on purchases such as altar frontals, hymn books, bibles, bird and bat boxes and decisions on sound system replacement and on-going repairs and adaptations.

The PCC has given approval for grant applications relating to the work of Care and Share, Burnham, Little Angels and bird and bat boxes.

We have approved charitable donations to World Land Trust in support of James Wragg and his Cycle for change.

The PCC also has a role in the development and support in the implementation of, the Parish Mission Action Plan (MAP). All PCC members have taken on additional roles in support of the ongoing life of St Peter's and of taking the MAP forward as well as supporting other initiatives which enrich the spiritual and community life of our church.

The Approved Minutes of each meeting are available to read and are displayed in the porch together with the date and time of the next meeting of the PCC.

Jackie Loveday

Secretary to the PCC April 2022

Deanery Synod Report

Representatives are elected by Parishes to serve a 3 year term. It is the role of Synod reps to provide a link between Synod and the parishes to disseminate information from Synod to the parishes and vice versa.

St Peter's Reps John Carey
 Sheila Warburton
 Pam Rogers

Reverend Canon Janet Binns was licensed as our interim Area Dean

Deanery Synod met 4 times in 2020: twice in person and twice on Zoom
Items discussed included:

Vocations

Burial Fees

Lighthouse

LLF

St Paul's Intercultural Hub

Parish Giving options

Parish Share

We welcomed speakers -

Josh Townson, the Diocesan Generous Giving Advisor

Wayne Dixon from Christian Connections in Schools

Lara Deen, Intercultural Mission Enabler at St Paul's Slough

Pam, Sheila & John