

## Report of PCC Meeting held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016

The fifth meeting of the annual cycle covered the following:

- Ian Birkinshaw gave a report on the Newcomers' Tea; numbers were few but feedback was positive.
- The configuration of the Churchwarden function is under consideration, in view of the lack of candidates from All Saints' in recent years. The current Churchwardens are producing lists of jobs and activities; perhaps the future configuration may be a team of Churchwardens over both sites, with named persons for each job or activity.
- The current report on the accounts was received, with thanks to Terina Hurley. It is encouraging that the deficit is much less than anticipated and we praised the Lord for his continuing generosity and provision. It was noted that income from congregational giving is disappointing and lower than anticipated.
- A letter of thanks was received from the Archbishop of York; it noted that the Diocese had achieved 99.4% of its budget.
- The fees schedule for 2016 was approved.
- The Building & Fabric report highlighted the change to the meeting schedule to increase efficiency, alterations to the faculty process which should facilitate work (eg online applications and permissions) and updates to All Saints' and St Andrew's.
- Regarding the recent floods in the area, a letter will be sent to City of York Council in the name of the PCC, asking them to repair and resurface Church Lane.
- Grant applications are being made to the parish councils and the Ward Committee towards the cost of the path lighting.
- The public consultation stage for 2 faculties has now expired without objections, so work can progress on the re-siting of the font and the next phase of the St Andrew's building project.
- The Quinquennial Inspection work has been completed with the exception of the electrical check, which has been deferred until completion of the building project.
- The drains at St Andrew's continue to be problematic, although the camera survey showed no obvious problems. A vote of thanks was issued to Dave Barker for his stalwart work on opening blocked drains.
- A report and proposal paper for St Andrew's redevelopment was discussed. Grant applications have been submitted and in response £5,000 has been received from Huntington Parish Council. Phase 3 is considered ambitious; it has been received with enthusiasm by the Diocesan officials. It will require a big commitment to major grant applications and other fundraising activities. It will also require practical help and prayer support.
- The Mission & Outreach report was received; the celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday will provide the occasion for an outreach weekend in partnership with New Earswick Methodist Church and Christ the Light Church.
- Youth & Children's work report reviewed and highlighted activities. James Simister noted that a York St John's first year student will be doing a placement with him this term. Updated Child Protection and DBS policies were approved.
- The Staff Management report was received, along with the reviewed policies for Absence and Data Protection.
- A new organ tuning service provider was approved.
- The next meeting of the PCC will be on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2016.

Thank you for your prayers for the PCC.