



Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting & Annual Parochial Meeting

Monday 8th April 2019 – 7- 8.30pm

Annual Parish Meeting

1. Revd Graham Hunter (GH) explained the proceedings of the meeting,
2. John Wyatt opened up the evening in worship and in prayer.
3. We have two nominations for Churchwarden, Anita (Nik) Masih (in her final year to serve as PCC Trustee and Churchwarden), who sends her apologies and Larre Olajide. GH noted the hard work that Nik has put in as St John's Hoxton Churchwarden and PCC Trustee over the years. GH notes that Larre has been a dedicated part of the St John's Church family, volunteering as part of the AV team, leading intercessions during Sunday services and visiting sick/ elderly members of the church. Both nominations were voted in by show of hands.
4. The meeting closed.

Annual Parochial Meeting

1. GH explains difference between the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parochial Meeting,
2. General information was then shared about the Electoral Roll – which has increased in size; 2018 was a year of two halves – both difficult and stretching for staff and the church but it has come full circle as SJH has still continued to draw more people to church including new members of the staff team coming into St John's including John Wyatt, Caroline and Iain Taylor.
3. GH acknowledged that part of the frustrations of 2018 was the difficulty in recruiting a Youth Minister and an unsuccessful building project bid #LoveHoxton.
4. The Building and Fabric – is being managed fantastically by Bryn Dye and his team.
5. Stephen gave a brief report on the Finance Report. GH reminded the meeting that there is a page on our website where people can apply for grants which PCC will consider. GH recommends that the best way to give as a regular member is by setting up a standing order.
6. Stephen Wastling has been our Treasurer for 3 years and is now stepping down. GH acknowledged how much work he has done on behalf of SJH including writing up the GDPR for the church and having oversight of SJH finances.
7. Graham reiterated that the statistical vision for the Church of England is bleak with a prediction that within 80 years there will be only 10,000 worshipping Anglicans left in the UK but the Gospel vision for SJH a growing diverse church is the goal.
8. GH will be going on Study Leave for 4 months but before that GH will concentrate on securing a Youth Minister and pushing to get the #LoveHoxton building project off the ground.





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9. The list of nominees for appointment to the PCC was presented as: Lorraine Flack, Larre Olajide, Ruth Smith, Mike Hewett, Sarah Santhosham,, Stephen Millar, Joshua Kalejaiye, and Renatha Hoga. These were duly appointed by show of hands.
 10. There are vacancies on the PCC but we have enough members on the board to make it workable.
 11. There was no election of Deanery Synod Representatives, as Josh Richards and Bridget Okolo will be continuing their 3 year term of office until 2020.
 12. Our Independent Examiners, Chris Goodhead FCS of KnightGoodhead Accountants were re-appointed.
 13. The meeting was closed in prayer by Graham and Larre.

