

**Minutes of the Vestry meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025 for the purpose of electing Churchwardens**

1. Rob Brighthouse, nominated by Anna Bushby and seconded by Sarah Smith.
2. Susan Jozsa, nominated by Joy Taylor and seconded by Diana Tyler

Both nominees were unanimously elected.

**Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

1. The Rector opened the meeting in prayer.
2. **Apologies :** Sarah Smith, Alaine Willis, Sharon Soper, John Giles, Greg Wall, Christina Cross, Rob Brighthouse, Barbara Brighthouse.
3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the 2024 APCM were accepted.
4. **Electoral Roll:** The number on the roll is currently 108.
5. **Elections to the PCC:** The following were unanimously elected to the PCC

Emma McCulloch: Proposed by Susan Jozsa, seconded by Sue Addy

Christina Cross: Proposed by Sue Addy, seconded by Margaret Cuthbertson

Geoff Addy: Proposed by Susan Jozsa, seconded by Liz Rider

Sharon Soper: Proposed by Sarah Smith, seconded by Sue Addy

6. **Deanery Synod:** Greg Wall and Stella Gillingham were elected to the Deanery Synod. St. Petroc's is entitled to three members of the Deanery Synod.
7. **Appointment of Auditor:** It was proposed by Fiona Harvey and seconded by Beth Merriman that Robert Barclay be appointed as church auditor. All in favour. Mr. Barclay thanked the members but informed them that this would be his last 3-year term of office as auditor.

- 8. Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024:** The Treasurer thanked the church members for electing him for a further 3-years, but informed them that this would be his last 3-year term of office.

A busy year, with expenditure carefully monitored, has resulted in a £1600 surplus at the end of the year, helped also by regular income from planned giving, service collections and Gift Aid exceeding expectations. The Give to Go Green project, to fund infrared heating, successfully raised the £27,000 needed in order to install the new system. The Common Fund has been paid in full. The £16,376 refurbishment of the organ was met primarily by a bequest. As the church's income for the year has exceeded £100,000 St. Petroc's has had to be registered with the Charity Commission.

The Rector informed the meeting that the PCC had taken the decision to give 10 percent of the annual gross income to charity – two charities will be supported in the longer term and one will be chosen each year. The Rector also thanked the Treasurer for his excellent managing of the church's finances.

- 9. Rector's notices:** Members were encouraged to read the Annual Report, which is on the website. The report shows the range of activities that take place and which give encouragement that God is at work in and through all those who lead services, in the church, the care homes and the school; those who run PUFFS; those who volunteer with IYFC; the cleaning and hospitality teams; stewards. There is so much for which to be grateful.
- 10.** The meeting closed with the saying of The Grace.