



Keynsham Parish
Sharing Jesus Christ

KEYNSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday 21st March 2023 AT 7.15PM in the Parish Hall

Present: Julian Anderson, Martin Burton, Robert Cook, Anika Gardiner, Janet Lane, Graham Lenton, Sue Lloyd, Stephen M'Caw (chair), Chris McFee, Chris Newton, Lesley Organ, Jenny Owen, Richard Pannett, Steve Scott, Sue Sprague, Jane Stockall, Rosemary Turner, Nigel Williams, Tim Winship and Julia Wright (Secretary).

Chair: Stephen M'Caw

1. **Opening Prayer** and Bible reading by Stephen M'Caw from Romans 12: 3-6.

2. Apologies from Nick Milton and Anne Hewett

3. **Minutes**

a) The minutes of the PCC meeting held on Tuesday 10th January were amended Pt 7 f, by removing 'parish share' and replacing with 'peoples giving'.

b) Noted the standing committee on Tuesday 7th February was cancelled

4. **Matters Arising** (not covered elsewhere on the agenda).

Staff wages and rises (where applicable) will be communicated by Chris Newton to the staff.

5. **Planning for the Vacancy after 17th September (Anika Gardiner in the Chair)**

Anika explained that practical planning for the vacancy was needed, ahead of mid-September when Stephen retires.

Nigel will have also left at the end of June, so technically going from 3.8 to 1 minister in a short period of time.

She has met with the Archdeacon to discuss this situation. It is too early to put together a profile for the new Team Rector but we now need to plan for what we can do day to day in the running of Sunday services, staff support and finances, in September and the following months.

ii) Current use of the building .

The understanding was that the building was closed but the Church is being used by various groups. Trevor has continued to work with the prayer group that meet there. However the PCC again confirmed the decision to sale the building

b) St Francis seeking faculty for upgrading the Church heating by installing radiant heaters.

Robert Cook proposed seeking a faculty. Seconded by Jenny Owen. 18 in favour, 1 abstained-.

c) St Michael seeking faculty for upgrading the Church path . Rosemary Turner proposed seeking faculty for upgrading the Church path. Seconded by Graham Lenton. All in favour.

8.30pm **9. Reports:**

a) WWMC, No minutes this time.

b) Youth work report (attachment 8). No comments made.

c) Zambia Link report . Nothing at this time

d) Churchwarden Reports (attachments 10a,10b,10c,10d)

i) St John's

ii) St Francis

iii) St Margaret's QC.

All three reports received with no further comments.

iv) St Michael's Burnett. Rosemary Turner explained she was still waiting for the steeplejack report on the church bell.

8.45pm **10. The Wider Church**

a) The National Church – Living in Love and Faith...

Richard Pannett had sent an email out on Tuesday prior to the meeting, Stephen replied to the content of the email that the ministry team were not in a position to comment until the final statement and decision had been made by July General Synod on the blessing of same sex marriages.

Julia will include LLF in the PCC agenda after July.

b) The Diocese – Diocesan Synod 18th March report

Sue Lloyd explained that the Bishop's presidential address was exceptionally good and when available online, she would let everyone know.

c) Deanery – need for 5 Deanery synod representatives.

Stephen said we need to make use of our 5 lay-places and to promote these to the parish. He will include the vacancies in the newsletter

At the moment it is made up of clergy, Sue Lloyd, Christine Woodward and John Watkeys. (John indicated that he may stay on)

5 places available for lay people to stand, to be elected at APCM. Tim Winship possibly interested.

c) Churches Together in Keynsham. Various activities were reported.

11. Safeguarding – update...nothing to report

9.00pm 12. **APCM** – thanks to those standing down and to note the need for reports to be given to the Office

13. Miscellaneous:

a) The Paddock - purchased by the Town Council for £20,000 (attachment 12). Stephen highlighted his liaison with the Town Council that we might continue using it for e.g. the Easter dawn service

b) Emphasis in Lent of skills/gifts.

c) To note the office staff can't keep Facebook and website up to date. A volunteer is needed. Nigel does a lot on them now but when he leaves a replacement will need to be found. Trevor James has said he is willing be involved. Tim Winship may be able to help with the website but not Facebook.

d) The Coronation celebrations. There is a page on the website with the events at St John's. Stephen invited other churches to add theirs to the website.

14. AOB. None.

The meeting finished at 9.15 pm

15. Dates of next meetings

APCM	Tuesday 25 th April 2023	
Standing Committee	Tuesday 9 th May 2023	7pm
	Upper Room	
PCC	Tuesday 6 th June, 2023	7pm St
	John's Church	

