

Summary of PCC meeting held on 21 March 2019

Agenda items at the last PCC meeting included:

Church Policies – Equal opportunities

The PCC endorsed equal opportunity policies for Church staff and for dealings with the public.

Mission Action Plan 2018 – 2023

The Rector reported on the completed actions for 2018:

- Sustainability

The Church is already strong in its limited use of plastic. The PCC was delighted to hear that a drinking fountain has now been installed in the Churchyard and that the Church is pressing the Corporation about signage for the fountain and seeking ways to promote its use.

PCC members have been asked to read the booklet “No More Plastic” (generously donated by the Church’s Environmental Champion, Alan Hovell) and to bring to the next PCC meeting 3 or 4 suggested actions on sustainability which they might take individually and which might be taken as a body by the Church. A brainstorming on sustainability is planned for the next meeting.

- Team building and Social activities

Team building - the Church has created a number of WhatsApp groups for different Church groups such as the Book Group and for Servers.

More social activities are being explored such as Parish walks and visits to art galleries.

Works to the Tower – the PCC heard that the project, originally planned to be completed by 31 March, is currently 13 weeks behind schedule, due in part to initial difficulties with the design of the scaffolding and a shortage of abseilers. On the plus side it may be that the masonry work required is not as extensive as first thought.

In discussions with the stonemasons it has become apparent that the ringing of the Church Bells may need to be curtailed for periods of time during the works.

International Bankers’ Stall Plate – the PCC agreed that an application should be made to the DAC and the Archdeacon for the installation in the Church of a Stall Plate for the Worshipful Company of International Bankers.

Electoral Roll

The PCC was pleased to hear that the Electoral Roll for 2019 now stands at 78.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting – Thursday 11 April at 6.05 pm following the Eucharist in Church

- the PCC approved the Annual Report and Annual Accounts for 2018 for submission to the APCM.
- Nominations papers for the election of Churchwardens and members of the PCC were completed.

All members of the congregation are warmly invited to attend the APCM on 11 April which will be followed by drinks and refreshments in the Vestry.

LIVE in the Churchyard – 24 – 29 June 2019 – plans are well underway for the annual LIVE Festival including two bands, performances by the Cheapside Chorus and the Academy of St Mary-le-Bow and organ recitals by young organists.