

## Old Felixstowe Parish Annual Vestry Meeting 2019 minutes

For the election of Two Church Wardens held in St Peter & St Paul Church at 7:30pm on Monday 1st April 2019 Agenda

1. Chairman's Welcome – Rev Chris Hood
2. Rev Chris Hood as chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and after an opening prayer talked on Esther "for such a time as this" to encourage all to use their gifts and talents that are God given in the right season.
3. Apologies for Absence – were received
4. Election of Church Wardens People entitled to vote for Church Wardens

Two nominations for Judy Jones and Jean Macpherson were accepted unanimously. Rev Chris thanked John Beckett for all his 6 years of service and commenting on his personal support in coming to Old Felixstowe and helping the Hood family to settle into Parish life and for his tireless duties as churchwarden. John acknowledged the thanks in his usual unassuming manner with a thank you and a smile.

The meeting closed 7.39pm in prayer

- ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING St Peter & Paul with St Andrew and St Nicholas:7.40 on Monday 1st April at St Peter & St Paul

Agenda

1. Chairman's Welcome Rev Chris Hood with opening prayer.
2. Apologies – were received
3. Minutes of Annual General Meeting Monday 6th March 2017

These had been published and paper copies were available. They were approved with no matters or questions arising.

5. Annual Report of the PCC for 2017  
Rev Chris alluded to pre-published written report and what was effectively his first year in as Vicar of Old Felixstowe. The importance of taking on board what was positive in the Parish and seeking guidance from God for all of us in the way forward to spark and active pathway with all contributing to the discussion.
6. Report on the new Electoral Roll Neil Shipley 144 on the roll (143 last year)  
He noted there had been a number of significant church member stalwarts' deaths during the year but many had come into the Parish or returned to the Parish to keep the numbers largely unchanged.
7. Fabric Reports for the last year a) St Andrew's Church (see 2018 Report Booklet) Mike Dean  
b) St Peter & Paul Church (see 2018 Report Booklet) John Beckett c) St Nicholas (see 2018 Report Booklet) Jean Macpherson d) St Andrew's Hall (see 2018 Report Booklet) John Beckett  
All these pre-published reports were accepted with no comments forthcoming except the acknowledgment that good use was being made of each of the buildings and the rolling

programme of whole parish considerations by the Building Group was helping a unified approach.

All reports of groups was appreciated as to an overview of many Parish activities.

7. Financial Report John Dangerfield a) Accounts for 2018, and adoption b) Budget for 2019 c) Appointment of Examiner

8. Election of Members to the PCC & Deanery Synod a) PCC (x5)

9. Election of Sidespeople (Welcome Teams)

Rev Chris thanked all those giving their time and talent to be in the welcome teams which he stressed was a significant role in people's perception of the church as they entered the building. The current list of Welcome team provided by the churchwardens was accepted as some stood down due to change of circumstances and others had agreed to assist with these duties. Rev Chris asked if others wished to help in any capacity they should speak to him or the Churchwardens.

10. Any other matter of Parochial or General Church interest (as notified in writing to the Parish Office by 9am on Thursday 28th March 2019)

No correspondence or matters were received.

Dr Terry Smith stood up to thank the Rev Chris on behalf of the Parish Family for all his contribution over the year and his positivity in helping the Parish to grow and develop. Others agreed.

11. Date of next PCC meeting: tbc – Closing Prayer Rev Chris

Meeting finished at 8.07pm