MINUTES OF CHRIST CHURCH DOWNEND PCC

Wednesday 24th January 2024

Present: Dan Watts, Paul Peterson, Bryan Ashton, Roger Cholmondeley, Sally Green, Debbie Pastwa, Maggie Nichols, Katie Allen, Richard Bacon, Ali Rowe, Andy Pound, Philip Rowe

Apologies: Caroline Plummer, Laura Green, Julian Cox, Jamie Paddon.

In attendance: Nicola Harris (curate on placement)

PP welcomed everyone to the meeting, and outlined the main agenda item relating to clergy conscience with regards to Prayer of Love and Faith.

Approval of co-option of new member – DW explained that Nigel Stowe had offered to join the PCC and would bring significant church and business experience to the trustee body.

A motion was tabled to welcome Nigel Stowe as a co-opted PCC member

Proposed: Maggie Nichols

Seconded: Bryan Ashton

Unanimously approved

Prayers of Love and Faith

PP led the trustees in prayer reflecting on Philippians 2

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DW provided an update on the story so far with regards to Prayers of Love and Faith and every member had the opportunity to share their own thoughts and feelings with regards to the issues involved.

PP reminded everyone of the specific motion we had been asked to consider – 'We support our vicar and clergy team to act in accordance with conscience in regard to the prayers of Love and Faith.' And gave further opportunities for people to comment.

Clergy left the room whilst PCC members discussed the motion further. The motion was unanimously approved. It was agreed that further discussion would take place at the next meeting regarding the appropriateness of wider communication.

Meeting closed 9.10pm