

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
THE PARISH OF CHELSFIELD
held via ZOOM on SUNDAY, 18TH APRIL 2021 at 3pm**

Those in attendance:

Rev'd John Tranter, Rev'd Susan Atkinson-Jones, Norman Bailey, Karen Barter, Susan Bennett, Gwen Bowen, Christine Cookson, Caroline Davis, Barry Foale, Paul Gosling, Anne Green, Tony Hemmings, Val Hemmings, Ken I'Anson, Anne Ireland, Brian Kemp, Jackie McCann, Steve McCann, Jim Nicol, Jim Rooke, Philippa Rooke, Jonathan Sargant, Graham Sawyer, Terry Sparkes, Mary Tozer, Gillian Vernon, Tony Vernon, Gerry Walker

Philippa Rooke ran through the protocol for speaking and voting at the Zoom meetings

1. Rev'd John welcomed those in attendance and opened the meeting with a prayer
2. **Apologies** were received from Janet Tranter, Gordon Ireland and Margaret Warren-Axe
3. **Minutes of the previous Annual Vestry Meeting held on 18th October 2020**
Approval of the Minutes was proposed by Paul Gosling, seconded by Brian Kemp and agreed unanimously.
4. **Matters arising**
None
5. **Election of Churchwardens**
Philippa Rooke indicated her willingness to serve again. She was nominated by Anne Ireland, seconded by Steve McCann, and elected by unanimous vote of those present.

Steve McCann had previously given notice of his retirement from his role as Churchwarden, following 9 years of service. Rev'd John expressed his thanks to him for his exemplary service over that time.

No candidate had come forward as willing to serve as the second Churchwarden, and after some discussion, it was agreed that the search for a new Churchwarden would continue outside the meeting. Rev'ds John and Susan asked people to pray for a suitable candidate to come forward. An election could be held, after giving the statutory notice, at an interim time in the year.

Official appointment of the Churchwardens would take place following interview and swearing in by the Bishop or his duly appointed representative, in accordance with the Churchwardens Measure 2001.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 15.17