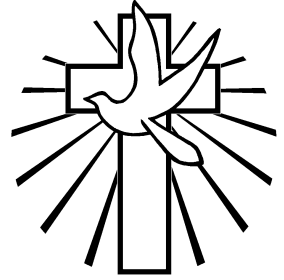


CHRIST CHURCH EPSOM COMMON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

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Main points of the PCC meeting held on
Monday 20 June 2016

Here is the usual summary of the PCC's recent meeting. As always, fuller details are in the displayed draft minutes.

Appointments: In addition to the formal annual appointments made at Annual Church and PCC Meetings on 24 April, we reaffirmed in office the very many people holding various posts within Christ Church not needing annual renewal (as listed in the 2-page annex to the minutes). We are enormously grateful for the invaluable contribution these people make – often behind the scenes – to church life.

Children's Sunday Groups: However, there remain a number of vacancies – most pressing for helpers with the Children's Sunday Groups. If you feel you could help in this vital strand of Christ Church's work, please speak to either the Vicar or Katherine Chambers.

Verger: After many years, Diana Tear has decided that the time has come for her to stand down as Verger, and we recorded our profound thanks for all her careful work in this post. Over time and with the growth of others' responsibilities, we noted that the duties of the post have become rather more supervisory. Accordingly, and with agreed minor adjustments in some other posts, we decided that at least for the time being we would not seek a replacement.

Hall "Champion": With thanks to Lucy Healy for her work in this role over recent years, we appointed Kate Nichols as the new "Hall Champion" on the Premises Group to keep a particular eye on matters relating to Hall maintenance.

Missions: In addition to the £10,000 for Missions from our 2016 budget, we have £230 carried forward from 2015. On the recommendation of the Missions Group, we agreed to allocate this total with immediate payments of £400 (all that is required) to the MU's Sierra Leone project and £1,000 to each of the nine other championed missions – leaving £830 for us to respond to emergency or *ad hoc* appeals as they arise. Later this year, we shall be making the usual triennial review of our championed causes. If there's a mission close to your heart, look out for the separate publicity.

Progress to our 2020 Vision: In a now standard item on our agenda, we took careful stock of all the thinking done at the 24 April Annual Church Meeting and at our PCC Away Day on 7 May. The shape of the proposed "rule for life" to support, encourage and challenge individuals at all stages of their faith journeys is beginning to emerge. We shall do further work on this at our next meeting, with the hope of launching the result (which we envisage being refined and updated over time) before the end of the year. In respect of those aspirations that would call for physical changes to the premises, we agreed plans to involve the wider congregation in "dreaming dreams", with a focus on Vision Sunday 25 September.

Safeguarding and Health & Safety: We up-dated and reaffirmed for 2016-17 our parish policies for the protection of children & vulnerable adults and for general Health & Safety.

Next meeting: Monday 12 September at 8pm in the Hall.

Roger Morgan
PCC Secretary