ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, MIDSOMER NORTON

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING TO APPOINT CHURCHWARDENS HELD IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH ON SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022 at 11-30

34 people were present as follows:

11 members of the PCC

23 members of the congregation

APOLOGIES: Sally Curtis, Heather Hill, Helen Green, Stephen Powell

Father Guy welcomed everyone and the meeting opened with all joining in The Lord's Prayer.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting to appoint Churchwardens, 30 May 2021, having been posted on the church web site, prior to the meeting, were taken as read. Proposed by David Moore and seconded by Robert Broughton as being a correct record, and all present in agreement, they were signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING

None

ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

Carol was not seeking re-election after seven years in the post

Two nominations had been received.

Nomination Proposer Seconder

Elizabeth (Beth) Davies Carol Moore Hilary Denning

Hilary Denning Beth Davies Carol Moore

With both nominees willing to stand and as there were no other nominations, the Chairman declared that the two people nominated should serve as Churchwardens for 2022 – 2023.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Guy paid the following tribute to Carol

'Our thanks to Carol for seven years of service as Churchwarden working with Tony, Shirley and Beth

I have discovered that it has not all being plain sailing, but Carol comes smiling through. The Pandemic has cast its shadow over the last two years and on top of that there was the vacancy to deal with! She has welcomed many to our worship, to church and social events and has a wonderful gift of pastoral care

She is an amazing host, and with David's support they have been generously supportive of myself and Kate and of many of you as well, I'm sure.

We wish Carol well as she lays aside the multiple facets of being a Churchwarden, and as she begins the next stage of her pilgrimage of faith, I know she will continue to care and support us all as we journey together.

Carol was involved with the appointment of a new Vicar to this benefice, I hope she has no regrets.

Carol thank you for everything.

Guy then presented Carol with a card, flowers and a gift voucher which was accompanied with a round of applause.

Carol responded saying it had been a pleasure to serve as Churchwarden. There had been difficulties at times especially dealing with the vacancy and the pandemic. She wished Hilary all the best as the new churchwarden.

The meeting closed at 11-40.