

## **ST BARNABAS CHURCH, EMMER GREEN, READING**

Minutes of Meeting 08/2022 of the PCC held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

### **Present**

David Howell (Chair)(Churchwarden) (DH), Wendy Howell (Asst Churchwarden) (WH), Joy Abel (Assistant Churchwarden) (JA), Bob Abel (BA), Mark Burton (MB), Felicity Chapman (FC), Susie Downer (SD), Irene Lindsay (IL), Richard Cunningham (RC), Roger Moore (RM) (PCC Secretary)

### **Opening Remarks, Welcome and Prayers**

DH opened the meeting with a reading from John 15 and a prayer

### **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Noel Drury

### **Approval of Minutes 07/2022**

The minutes were approved unanimously and signed by DH.

### **Actions and Matters Arising**

Carried forward

### **Health and Safety.**

Nothing to report.

### **Safeguarding**

Nothing to report.

### **Renaming of the Parish**

DH noted a document had been circulated to PCC members. There was some discussion of an appropriate name, and it was decided unanimously to recommend:

Emmer Green and Caversham Park St Barnabas

### **Relaxation of Covid Restrictions.**

DH noted that there were now no legal restrictions, but he felt some measures should be kept in place. PCC agreed that hand sanitizer and window opening should be kept and chairs could be moved to accommodate more people. Noting that less than 50% of those attending church now wear masks a clear re-statement of the churches position was needed.

DH would address how Covid measures should be communicated.

Also raised was the possible re-introduction of the choir. In discussion a number of issues were identified. FC accepted an action to investigate and report back to the PCC.

### **CTC Holiday Club**

MB asked for PCC permission to fix a large poster outside the Church. This was agreed.

MB to draft a letter to the Headmistress of Emmer Green primary to seek permission to fix poster to the school gates.

DH to contact school.

### **Good Governance**

DH raised the issue of good governance and the importance of channels of communication. He reiterated that the channels were himself and the Secretary. The exception being the Treasurer.

### **Profile**

Following a short discussion, it was agreed that the detailed Person Specification should be deleted. Members were asked to provide any further comments to David by close of play on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>.

There being no other business the meeting was closed in prayer by Joy