

St John the Baptist Church

Catford (Southend) and Downham

Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the AGM held on Sunday 28 April 2024

Agenda		
1	Apologies	Shea Hollis, Gill Joseph
2	Minutes of the Vestry Meeting 2023	That the Minutes of the meeting be accepted as a representation by those present. Proposed by Julie Rochefort and seconded by Cynthia Harding. All were in agreement.
3	Matters arising	None
4	Nomination and Election of Church Wardens	Nominations were received from Julie Rochefort and Frankie Turner. Thanks were expressed for their hard work throughout the year. All were in agreement.
5	Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting	That the Minutes of the meeting be accepted as a representation by those present. Proposed by Julie Rochefort and seconded by Cynthia Harding. All were in agreement
6	Matters arising	None.
7	Nomination and election of 6 members of the DCC	Nominations were received for Amos Eka, David Harding, Jennifer Barrington, John Grosvenor. All were elected to the DCC. (Churchwardens, Reader, Rector and Curate are also on the District Church Council).
8	Nomination and election of members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC)	None received.
9	Presentation of the Accounts	Amos Eka, Treasurer, presented the Accounts.

		<p>Amos thanked Julie Rochefort for maintaining the Accounts during an interim period.</p> <p><u>Funds generated for the Church</u></p> <p>Susan Combes advised that there had been a Christmas Bazaar which had generated income for the church.</p> <p>All were in agreement with the Accounts.</p>
10	Presentation of the Electoral Roll numbers	<p>Sonia Jackson presented the Electoral Roll number. There are 197 members of the congregation on the Electoral Roll.</p> <p>The list will be renewed in 2025.</p>
11	Annual Report	<p>The Annual Report for 2023/24 was circulated. Frankie Turner gave thanks to Julie Rochefort for work undertaken for the church throughout the year.</p> <p>Susan Coombes thanked the Clergy for maintaining church services and activities.</p> <p><u>Church hall</u></p> <p>Sheila Warr queried the status of the church hall – had it been sold?</p> <p>Clarification was provided that the church hall had been leased out, not sold or rented.</p> <p>It was a 10-year lease with a break clause at 5 years by the Foodbank organisation, if needed.</p> <p>The proposal to accept the Annual report was made by Frankie Turner, seconded by Susan Coombes. All were in agreement.</p>
12	Date of 2025 AGM	Sunday 6 April 2025
13	Closing prayer	Father Peter led prayers at the close of the Annual General Meeting.