**Church of St Nicholas Remenham**

 **Minutes of the Parochial Church Council Meeting**

**Thursday 3rd March 2022 at 7.30pm**

Present

Father Jeremy Tayler (Chair)

Charlotte Every, Churchwarden

John Laing, Churchwarden

Anthony West

Nigel Gray

Sue Laing

Mandy Sermon, Secretary

**Prayers** Father Jeremy read prayers with particular reference to the war in Ukraine

1. **Apologies:** Sarah West, Hugh Whitfield, Paul Sermon
2. **Minutes of meeting held on December 2nd 2021** John Laing proposed that the minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Charlotte Every seconded. All agreed. Father Jeremy signed the minutes.
3. **Matters Arising** 1.John Halsall has agreed to meet Father Jeremy, the Church Treasurer and the Churchwardens. A date for a short meeting prior to a PCC meeting was suggested. 2. In Paul and Hugh’s absence the discussion of a first aid course was deferred.
4. **Financial Matters** Most funds were significantly increased compared to last year and the Parish Share has been paid in full.

Charlotte Every mentioned the closing of Barclays Bank resulting in deposits having to be made at a Post Office. Changing to another bank may not be worthwhile as other local banks could close so Father Jeremy suggested that the PCC revisit the Parish Giving Scheme. Father Jeremy will ask Catherine to come to a PCC meeting to talk about this.

1. **Forthcoming Parish Inspection** Father Jeremywent through the form to check what tasks were necessary prior to the inspection. The notice board will be updated with a copy of the latest insurance. A copy of the Quinquennial Report will be placed in the Vestry. The inventory will be updated if necessary and the minutes will be checked for signatures after a number of Zoom meetings over the last 2 years.
2. **Parish Hall** Sue Laingannounced the different events planned for the celebrations of the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. There will be a flower festival in the Church all weekend. A concert is planned for Saturday evening. The Jubilee tea party will take place on Sunday. A raffle may be held over the 2 days to raise money for the Church. Father Jeremy suggested contacting the couples that have recently been married at Remenham. Jubilee Mugs for local children was discussed. Father Jeremy will ask John Halsall about possible numbers. Charlotte Every and Sue Laing will look at the choice and availability of mugs.
3. **APCM** The date was set for **Sunday 15th May** after the morning service. A small presentation to Mike Dowsett will be made as a thank you for his service to the Church
4. **PCC meetings April 3rd** a short meeting after Church to approve the accounts

**May 12th 7.30 PCC meeting**

**9) Platinum Jubilee** 5-7th June 2022 **Harvest Festival** 9th October 2022

**10) Any other business** A small section of theChurch wall has been repointed. Further work will gradually be undertaken as required.

The meeting concluded with Father Jeremy saying the Grace.