**Church of St Nicholas Remenham**

**Minutes of the Parochial Church Council Meeting**

**Thursday 12th September 2019 in Remenham Parish Hall**

Present

Father Jeremy Tayler (Chair)

Charlotte Every, Churchwarden

John Laing, Churchwarden

Sue Laing

Paul Sermon

Mandy Sermon, Secretary

**Prayers**

1. **Apologies:** Hugh Whitfield, Anthony West, Sarah West & Nigel Gray.
2. **Minutes of last meeting held on 25th July 2019.** The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting although there was one amendment to be made. Father Jeremy will sign the amended minutes at the next meeting.
3. **Matters Arising** All items on the agenda.
4. **Finance Report** As Nigel was not present there was no financial report. However, Sue Laing reported that about £2000 was raised at the Remenham Fayre. Thanks were expressed to all those who donated, made cakes and worked hard to make the afternoon a great success.

1. **Parish Hall** Sue Laing reported thatthree new volunteers had joined the Committee. Barry Rosier is taking over all the responsibility for maintenance.
2. **Safeguarding Requirements** The Rector reported that the Diocese expects all members of the PCC to be DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checked. Members should complete C0 (online) and C1 that might also be online although there is training available in Goring from 9.30 till 12.30 on 24th September. Church Wardens must access C2 and officers C2S1. The Rector explained that all details were on the Diocese of Oxford Safeguarding Website. A link has been circulated and it was decided that members of the PCC will begin this process.
3. **Patronal Service (8th Dec)** Archdeacon Judy French will preach at this Holy Communion service. The Rector will invite everyone who has had a wedding, a family funeral or a baptism in the last year to come to the service. Wine and nibbles will be provided after the service. Other services: 3rd & 24th Nov: Holy Communion; 10th & 17th Nov and 1st Dec: Matins
4. **Any other business**

a) the PC is grateful to Rosemary Duckett for the donation of a crab apple tree to replace a dead tree in the Churchyard.

b) John Laing introduced the Good Plate. It will enable donations to be made by card and can be used at Services and will be set for a small donation at weddings, funerals and baptisms.

Future Dates: 18th Oct Harvest Supper

26th Oct Quiz Night

7th, 8th & 9th Nov Thespians

10th Nov Remembrance Service (10.55am)

15th Dec Carol Service (4pm)

24th Dec Christmas Eve service (9pm)

25th Dec Christmas Day (11.15 Children’s service)

**Next PCC meeting: Thursday November 21st**