

Ss Philip & James Parish Church Hounslow Road Whitton Twickenham TW2 7DY

Registered Charity No. 1144696

# **Minutes of the Easter Vestry Meeting** Sunday 26th March 2023 at 11.20am in the Parish Hall

## **Opening Prayers**

Fr David opened with prayers at 11.20am for this meeting to elect a new (People's) Churchwarden.

## 1. Minutes of the Easter Vestry Meeting of Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019

As the last Easter Vestry Meeting, these 2019 Minutes were accepted, proposed by Anne-Marie Philp, seconded by Denise Moore with all present in favour. (As the Vicar's Warden is chosen by the incumbent, there is no necessity to have an Easter Vestry Meeting for this position, which was taken by Mark Croucher in 2022).

Fr David recorded his sincere thanks and gratitude to Chris Raymond for exercising his Churchwarden duties fully, including keeping the grounds and church in repair, especially through the turbulent and unprecedented COViD pandemic times that we have all experience, as well as the sad death of their son, Simon, during his tenure as Churchwarden where Chris continued his dedication to his duties. On behalf of the Parish, thank you Chris who will probably be relieved to hang up the enormous bunch of keys that he is renowned for carrying at all times!

### 2. Election of Churchwarden

To propose, second and elect the People's Churchwarden.

Both Churchwardens work closely with Fr David which, as he professes, comes with challenges and burdens with the nature of his own obligations to his position. Fr David was delighted to confirm that Jane Lewis has accepted his invitation to become the new People's Churchwarden. Therefore with Fr David proposing and Mark Croucher (the Vicar's Warden) seconding, all were in favour. Jane will therefore be accepted as our new Churchwarden. Please pray for her as she works with Fr David and Mark Croucher. Jane's Licensing will take place by the Archdeacon at a date still to be confirmed. Jane will also automatically be an ex officio member of the PCC.

### 3. Close of Meeting, followed by the APCM

The meeting closed at 11.27am.

Karen Mackay PCC Hon Secretary 26.03.2023