

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARGARET LOTHBURY†

Annual Parochial Church Council report 2017 to 2018

Ten meetings were held this year, seven PCC and three standing committee. Of the seven PCC meetings one was an extraordinary meeting. Of those seven PCC meetings the first three were held in the belief St Margaret Lothbury had become part of a new benefice and as such invited the Churchwarden from St Mary Woolnoth to attend and take part. Attendance was between 42% and 100% for PCC meetings, with an average of 73%; and between 67% and 83% for standing committee meetings, with an average of 78%; average attendance across all meetings was 74%.

Matters discussed, in alphabetic order, were:

- Annual reports;
- Appointment and reappointment of officers;
- Appointment of auditor/independent examiner;
- Bank churches lecture;
- Churchyard enhancement scheme;
- Fabric including essential repairs, emergency repairs to the small chapel ceiling, tower project and works log book;
- Finance including accounts & investments, 2018 budget, church rate, Common Fund 2017, general giving, sub-letting Church space, Heritage Lottery Fund financing of essential building works, production of finance information packs, Diocese funding suggestions;
- GDPR;
- Governance & compliance checklist;
- Health & Safety including review and approval of the Health & Safety policy;
- John Rice Charity, election of trustees;
- Meeting times;
- Mission action plan;
- Mobile 'phone mast installation in the church tower;
- New benefice of Lombard and Lothbury;
- Parish Clerk nomination for St Stephen's Coleman Street;
- Pastoral care;
- PCC sub-groups and weekly tasks to assist the Rector;
- Prayer ministry including Wednesday evenings and March half night of prayer;
- Rector health and workload;
- Safeguarding including the reappointment of the safeguarding officer, self-audit and a full review of the safeguarding policy;
- Staffing including employment of Sophie Bannister as Curate, new Curate housing, Belinda McArdle, salary reviews, replacement of PCC secretary and departure of worship leader Christopher Stewart;
- Street Angels initiative;
- Terrier, a gifted free creation;
- Voluntary church rate project;
- Women priests at St Margaret Lothbury.

Bebe Coleman, 3 April 2018