



Minutes from Standing Committee Meeting Tuesday 7th January 2025 at 8pm in Bec room.

1. Opening Prayer was led by Fr. Robert
2. Apologies for absence were given by Sue Hammond and Judith Kaplan
3. Notification of any other business.
 - Tree pruning
 - Diocesan Synod Report
 - Roland's presentation.
- 4 The minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2024 were approved .
- 5 **Matters Arising** . 5 Wyteleaf Close. JA to visit tenants and agent to then serve 2 months notice.
6. Reports from committees and Deanery Synod.
 - **Mission committee** not meeting until 22/1/25
 - **Finance** – There is a meeting planned for 16th January on Teams. However, Danny Dartnaill (DD) did give an update on the Accounts. Novembers accounts are completed and he is working on Dec. All accounts done by end of January and Michael Labisi will examine them in February.
Additional £10k contribution has been made to the Common Fund Setting up savings account with HSBC.
 - **Social Committee**, Carol service well attended. Not enough volunteers for events esp to set up and clear up. Discuss at meeting next week.
Upcoming Quiz 25th Jan– JA to set questions and Glenn to read. Need scorers and markers. DD and PG suggested by JA and they agreed if they are free.
PG to look into buying a new coffee machine for refreshments and let Ruth know. We run a surplus on donations.
 - **Fabric & Hall**. The committee has not met, but much work has been done in this area. Light fittings are complete in the Hall and we have 3 spares.. they are more cost effective than florescent strips. Derek will complete outside bulb replacements when weather improves. There is a broken thermostat in the Hall that needs repair.
Looking to sign up for more filming work. 1000 blows to air on 21/2/25 on Sky Atlantic and Now TV.
Hall electric safety 5 year check to do. Boiler has been serviced.
Annual light conductor check due. PG to check with Ian about the Smartwater on the copper roof.
Chancel roof – still seeking a project lead to fundraise. Raise at next finance meeting.

- **Deanery Synod.** Meeting on 12th Feb in the evening. Topics are The Mother's Union and Angola London Mozambique Association. Venue tbc
7. **Safeguarding.** Nothing to report.
8. **Health and Safety.** Nothing to report.
9. **Any other business**
- Roland will be sharing her work at the next PCC meeting
 - Thank you to Mervyn for the report from the Diocesan Synod meeting . It is good that we now have a representative from St Martin's and can be informed of any relevant issues that we need to be involved in .
 - Tree Pruning. Old Priory, 1 High St owner wants pine tree pruned and is saying he will do it. We are in a conservation area. We want our tree surgeon to do it and maybe he can share some of the cost. JA will write to him . PG to reply to him with a holding email. Darren to give a quote.
 - Thank you to all for donations for Christmas. Poinsettias and oranges were donated.
 - We are sad to record the death of 2 former Churchwardens.
23rd December – Joan Asquith
6th January- Bill Bowyer.
Our prayers are with their families.

FrR said a Closing Prayer and meeting finished at 9pm.

Standing Committee and PCC Dates

| Standing Committee | PCC | Main Theme |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| | 21 st January 2025 8pm | Lent/Easter |
| 11 th February 2025 8pm | 25 th February 2025 8pm | APCM Accounts Approval ? |
| | 29 th April 2025 8pm | APCM |
| | 4 th May 2025 10.45am | Appointment PCC Officers |
| 10 th June 2025 8pm | 24 th June 2025 8pm | Summer Planning |
| 1st July 2025 8pm | 12 th or 19 th July 2025 9.30am to 3pm | Mission Action Plan (MAP) |