

All Saints' Church, West Haddon:

Annual Report for 2017

Aim and purposes

All Saints' Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Graham Collingridge, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Objectives and activities

The PCC's vision statement is 'Christ in our Community.' In 2014 the PCC developed a Growth Action Plan with the following priorities over the next five years: Prayer; growing in Faith; Children's Work; Inspiring Worship; Community Outreach and Pastoral Care, and this was reviewed in 2016.

Achievements and performance

Our biggest disappointment was the failure to find a new assistant priest.

The PCC considered the following issues during 2017: Heating and lighting; General repairs (mainly electrical inspection and works); Sound system; Communication including the Community Questionnaire; The School and Foundation Governors;

Ecumenical relationships

We continued our joint services with the Baptist Church every two months.

Financial review: see accounts

Volunteers

The PCC would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all those who help in so many ways to make our church and churchyard a special place.

Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council powers measure. The PCC is a charity with excepted status and therefore does not need a charity number.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At All Saints' the membership consists of the incumbent, the assistant priest, the curate, churchwardens and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. The following changes were agreed at the 2014 Annual meeting: That Churchwardens were not required to step down after six successive years of office; that The PCC should have nine elected representatives from 2015: Licensed Readers should be ex-officio members of the PCC; that election to the PCC should continue to be for a period of one year.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The PCC has a standing committee of Chair, Vice chair, Wardens and Treasurer.

Administrative information

All Saints' Church is situated on High Street, West Haddon. It is part of Brixworth Deanery in the Diocese of Peterborough within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 10 Hall drive, Long Buckby.

PCC members who have served at any time from January 2017 until December 2017 are:

Ex-officio members:

Incumbent: The Reverend Graham Collingridge (Chairman)

Assistant Priest: Vacant

Curate: The Reverend Andrew Smith

Wardens: Mr. Kevan Brassington Mr. John Harrison (until April 2017) Mrs Sue Tringham (from April 2017)

Reader: Mr. Sandy Tringham (PTO) Secretary (from April 2017) Vice chair

Deanery Synod representative: Mrs Sue Tringham

Elected members: Mrs. Margaret Brassington, Mrs Bernadette Frost, Mr Christopher Jones, Mrs Julie Morgan, Mr Keith Wilkes, Mr J. Harrison (from April 2017)

In attendance Mrs Lucinda McMullen (Secretary until April 2017)

Approved by the PCC on Tuesday 13th March 2018 and signed on their behalf by

Revd. Graham Collingridge