

2017 Annual Report Parochial Church Council of St Michael and All Angels Winwick

Aim and purposes

St Michael and All Angels Winwick Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating 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

St Michael and All Angels is open 24 hours a day 365 days a year as a place of prayer and contemplation, and is visited by people travelling on the nearby Grand Union Canal or the Jurassic Way. At the moment there is one service each month on the third Sunday. It has an electoral roll of six, of which four are residents.

Achievements and performance 2017

- † Development of a plan to install an accessible toilet in the rear of church and kitchen facilities in the south apse, appointment of a contractor (Paul White), and application for a faculty.
- † Exploration of the Common Worship Communion Service as an alternative to the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
- † Benefice Service: 30th July 2017, led by Revd Andrew Smith (one of his first communion services after ordination as a priest) was well attended
- † Winwick Fete: once again the village turned out in huge numbers to run it, and raised £9,391.89 (£10,541.10 in 2015, when the weather was drier and warmer)
- † Harvest Festival and auction
- † Rearranged Carol Service on Christmas Eve (due to heavy snow on original date) followed by the Duck Race was well received
- † There were no baptisms, two weddings and one funeral in 2017.

The Benefice was unable to recruit an Assistant Minister, and in January 2018 decided to relinquish this post. Revd Andrew Smith, curate, was ordained priest on 24th June 2017.

Financial review

Income was £15,542.16, and expenses £7,966.28 (details are shown in the Financial Statements). The balance at the bank on 31/12/16 was £15,231.50. Other assets are £43,729.79 from Sale of the Winwick Old School House, and £1,275.59 (Hensman Bequest): interest from these is paid into the instant access account. The PCC identified £10,000 from its current account, and the balance of £17,000, plus architects and other fees, to come from the Old School House Trust Fund and a possible interest-free loan from the Diocese to fund the toilet and kitchen facilities. The Parish share was £1419 (in 2018 it will be £1168 due to a reduction from relinquishing the House for Duty Post).

Volunteers

The PCC is thankful to all who provide their support and assistance to this small church. The four resident members of the parish do the bulk of the help, including cleaning, preparing for worship, verging at weddings and funerals etc. The village turned out in force to run the village Fete, and special thanks to Megan Martin and Sophie Cripps for their leadership role, and Trevor and Sue Sherman for hosting the count afterwards. Mandy Healy organised the carol service: it was unfortunate that the candlelit service had to be cancelled due to snow, but we are thankful to Mandy for putting new life into this service. We also thank Sally Bradbury for auditing the accounts, and Sally and Philip who together allow the church to use their land for the Fete and for parking at large church services. This year we particularly thank June Thomas who announced her intention to stand down as Church Warden in 2018 after over twenty years of faithful service and keeping everything in such good order.

Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council 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 does not need a Charity number. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Michael and All Angels the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, curate, churchwardens, members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. 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 complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

At the 2014 Annual Meeting it was agreed that Section 3 of the Church Wardens Measure 2001 does not apply to annual meetings of this Parish, so that the Churchwardens do not need to stand down after six continuous years in office.

Administrative information

St Michael and All Angels Church is situated in the small village of Winwick (popn. approx 40). It is part of the Diocese of Peterborough within the Church of England and is in Brixworth Deanery. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 10 Hall Drive, Long Buckby, Northants NN6 7QU.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2017 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio members:

Vicar: The Revd. Graham Collingridge (Chairman)

Assistant Priest: vacant

Curate: The Revd Andrew Smith

Wardens: June Thomas (Vice Chair)
Sarah Cripps (also PCC secretary)

Elected members:

Madge Armitage (April 2015-2018)

Pauline O'Connor (2016-2019) [also electoral roll officer]

Sue Tringham (Treasurer) (2017-2020)

The PCC has 3 vacant positions.

Deanery Synod: vacant. Sue Tringham has agreed to pass on information in her capacity as Deanery Synod Rep for All Saints West Haddon

Safeguarding Officer: Dorothy Whittaker (All Saints West Haddon PCC)

This report was approved by the PCC on 9th April and signed on their behalf by:



Revd Graham Collingridge (PCC Chairman)