**St ANDREW’S CHURCH, STAPLEFORD**

# **PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

Charity registration number 1158492

**MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PCC** – **Monday 27 June 2022**

**Present**: Felicity Cooke (Lay Vice-Chair), Nicky West (Secretary), Kirsty Campbell, Sarah Hackett, Alastair MacGregor, Valerie Powell, Romie Ridley, Jeannie Green

1. The meeting opened with a reading of the Collect for the day. Members were welcomed to the meeting.
2. Apologies were received from Anand Pillai, Martin Ginger, Clare Coates, John Bryden, Sue Brown and Sarah Kastner
3. The PCC had been asked to appoint two Parish Representatives in connection with the appointment of a new Incumbent to the Benefice of Stapleford. The necessity for this arose because the previous Incumbent, Rev Simon Talbott, resigned as Vicar of Great Shelford on 31 December 2021. Following his resignation, the Bishop’s Pastoral Order, which appointed him as Vicar of Stapleford, was revoked, leaving a vacancy in Stapleford. As Rev Dr Simon Taylor was and remains the Associate Priest of Stapleford the parish was not obliged to seek to fill the vacancy by way of a recruitment process, unless the PCC was minded to do so.

The PCC had been asked to meet in the absence of Simon Taylor and Lizzie Taylor.

The PCC received the following papers:

* A draft parish profile (Statement by the PCC of St Andrew’s Church, Stapleford, describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the Parish)
* Form 34 ‘Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986: Appointment of Parish Representatives’

The following resolutions were passed unanimously:

* 1. To appoint Alastair MacGregor and Felicity Cooke as the Parish Representatives
  2. To propose that Simon Taylor to be appointed as the Incumbent of Stapleford (proposed by Romie Ridley, seconded by Valerie Powell)
  3. To approve the draft Parish Profile subject to minor textual amendments and updating of the population size of the parish
  4. To delete all the paragraphs in Section 3 of Form 34, which would apply if the vacancy was to be advertised.

1. Felicity reported that Nicky had received Form 37 (Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986) for the ‘Approval by Parish Representatives of Offer of Benefice’. The offer was from the Patron, the Dean of Ely Cathedral to Rev Dr Simon Wheldon Taylor, and the Office that of ‘Incumbent (Vicar)’. After some discussion about the nature of the Office Alastair and Felicity undertook to sign Form 37 in their joint capacity as Parish Representatives.
2. The meeting closed with prayer.