

PCC Meeting

17th June 2025 at 7pm in church

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	Agenda item	Notes	Action required	
			By whom	By when
1	Apologies for absence	Helen Clifton, John Davenport, Georgina Harford, Bob Bell		
2	Prayer			
3	Work agreements for LLMs, Fr Charles as Area Dean	- Dan and Di, ordinands, welcomed to the meeting. Bp Viv has asked Charles to continue as Area Dean for a further 6 months. PCC asked to approve the work agreements for our LLMs. - Proposed: Fr Charles, agreed unanimously. - Fr Charles thanked our LLMs for all they do in the parish and Deanery	All, JC to complete relevant forms.	This meeting
4	All Saints Focus	Progress on strands from this document: <i>Newcomers Pathway</i> - This group, led by Fr Paul Hawkins, meets regularly and has established: a 'Welcome Table' under the balcony by the door. There are copies of the gospels and The Pilgrim Way, also an FAQs document and a guide to prayer. - Fr Paul and Mr Nicola will jointly lead an enquirers group on the first Sunday in the month from November-February. 12 noon, in the Richard Chapel, lunch to be provided. Topics include: use and misuse	All PCC members	Nov

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		of the Bible, Jesus, the Mass, Christian life. PCC members are all encouraged to come to at least one session; it is essential that we do not leave one or two enquirers on their own with the leader, but provide a friendly group. • Revision of documents explaining Anglo-Catholic practices: Jessica is revising these, which were useful but very out of date. <i>Ministry to those in later years (over 50!).</i> • Discussed at Deanery Synod. St Peter's Henleaze has done a lot of work in this area. 'Later life hub' poster lists all activities which may appeal to people. Our working group has put up posters in this category on the board outside the Randall Room. DS also identified actions such as delivering newsletters to local people who might find it helpful. Fr Charles has also seen AS News in people's homes, annotated and marked up. AS news will be edited this week by our ordinands on placement. • Fr Charles will encourage people to take AS news to people. Any spares to be taken up to the Randall Room for those who use it during the week, and/or put on the notice board. • A digital club for older people would be a good idea, once we have wifi in church.	Jessica Smith	
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5	Fabric and atrium project	- CWs have met with the architect, Marcus. Following the investigative work done recently, concrete was found under the paving stones in the atrium. This means we can use thinner stone for the floor. Samples of grey and yellow stone were passed round with the proposed plan. A 'visual pathway' round the atrium proposed. Stones can be sealed to avoid staining. Acoustic ceiling tiles, (fire retardant) proposed to provide 2 inches of insulation. Lights would be tracked inside this. Courtyard: suggestion that it is paved similarly to the front piazza. Floor to be raised to make it accessible. If we can recycle the slabs from the atrium to reduce concrete use, that would fit with our aims for net zero. To get a faculty in July, we need to apply quickly. Please study the plan and contact Martin with any queries by Sunday. - Fr Charles explained that once we have a Faculty we can go out to tender, with a fixed cost contract. The Trustees will then be applied to for the funds. The aims of the project are: to move us towards Net zero, community, accessibility, renewal work to make the church fit for the 21st century. Possible time scale: an optimistic estimate would see the project finished by Oct 2026 when Fr Charles leaves. - Fr Charles thanked all those who have been involved with the project. An enormous amount of work has gone into it, with Adam Chivers as well as the churchwardens continuing to work on the project.	All	Sunday
6	Reports	St John's School: Fr Charles reported that the school has had an Ofsted Inspection. The report is not yet published, but positive.	All	

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		Leavers Service in July. Fr C and JC do regular assemblies. Thanks to Caroline Davenport and Jonathan Frere who are governors. • Early Worship group: the services are popular and led by a good team from AS, alternately with clergy. The planning group would welcome a few more members: please consider whether you, or someone in the congregation, would enjoy being part of this group. Thanks to all involved. • Church and community group: more help needed to support the matinee and organ concerts. More help needed for Friends Together Thanks to C+C group for all they do. • Deanery Synod: topic was ministry to those in later life. Diocesan Synod: Brendan reported that it was Bp Viv's last synod. She will be missed; her intellect, her ability to connect, to give a caring, intelligent answer to difficult questions is exemplary.		
7	Vacancy in See	Fr Charles explained the process for appointing a new Bishop of Bristol. Deanery Synods and PCCs are asked for their views. PCC members were asked to respond to the questions previously circulated. These will be collate and submitted. Interviews are planned for next spring, appointment probably in October. Brendan is on the VIS committee and gave more details.		Ongoing
8	Safeguarding	One current issue, one new issue being dealt with. Parish dashboard has been updated, so new challenges have been identified.	PSOs	
9	PCC Minutes	To be recirculated, updated, with SC minutes	JC	today
10	Prayer	Liz Badman led us in closing prayers.		

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Signed:

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