

St Lawrence, Heanor



APCM Reports

Covering the year 2020 for the 2021 APCM

2020 Vestry Meeting Minutes

ST LAWRENCE PARISH CHURCH. HEANOR VESTRY MEETING

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Parishioners of St Lawrence Church, Heanor held on Sunday 6th September, 2020 as part of a service of The Word

1	<u>Opening Prayer</u> The Vestry Meeting was opened in corporate prayer, led by the Chair: Rev Lisa Shemilt.
2.	<u>Apologies</u> Apologies were received from Michelle Nixon
3.	<u>Present on Zoom:</u> Dawn Lonsdale, Steven Lonsdale, Maureen Walker, Terry Smith: <u>and in person:</u> Rev Lisa Shemilt, Leonie George, Anne Musson, Ann Turner, Kate Morley, Gary Morley, Lisa Neal, Sharon Smith .
4.	<u>Voting rights</u> It is proposed that those joining us on Zoom who are on the electoral role have full voting rights in this meeting Proposed: Lisa Shemilt Seconded: Lisa Neal All In favour
5.	<u>Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Sunday 7th April, 2019</u> The Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Sunday 7 th April, 2019 were Proposed: Kate Morley Seconded: Anne Musson All in agreement to be a correct record
6	<u>Election of Churchwardens</u> The nominations for Churchwardens are: Dawn Lonsdale proposed by Anne Musson, seconded by Steven Lonsdale Anne Musson proposed by Terry Smith, seconded by Steven Lonsdale The nominees were elected to serve for one year. Anne Musson and Dawn Lonsdale were duly elected to serve as Churchwardens at St Lawrence Parish Church, Heanor for one year 2020/21 Thanks were extended to the Church Wardens Dawn Lonsdale and Anne Musson for their work over the last year to ensure the Church is being kept in good order.
	The Vestry Meeting was brought to a close

2020 APCM Minutes

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING OF ST LAWRENCE PARISH CHURCH, HEANOR HELD ON SUNDAY THE 6th September 2020

Present on Zoom: Dawn Lonsdale, Steven Lonsdale, Maureen Walker, Terry Smith: and in person: Rev Lisa Shemilt, Leonie George, Anne Musson, Ann Turner, Kate Morley, Gary Morley, Lisa Neal, Sharon Smith .

1	<p><u>Voting rights</u></p> <p>It is proposed that those joining us on Zoom who are on the electoral role have full voting rights in this meeting</p> <p>Proposed: Lisa Shemilt</p> <p>Seconded: Anne Turner</p> <p>All In favour</p>
2	<p>Minutes of the Meeting of Sunday 7th APRIL 2019</p> <p>The minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting of Sunday 7th April 2019 Correction: Michelle Nixon was elected to serve for one year not three.</p> <p>To be a correct record with recorded correction included.</p> <p>Proposed: Leonie George</p> <p>Seconded: Anne Musson</p> <p>All in agreement</p> <p>Minutes of the Special Meeting of Sunday 1st September 2019</p> <p>The minutes of the special meeting to appoint the Independent Examiner of the 1st September 2019 to be a correct record.</p> <p>Proposed: Lisa Neal</p> <p>Seconded: Anne Musson</p> <p>All in agreement</p>
3.	<p>Receipt of the Electoral Roll</p> <p>Church warden Dawn Lonsdale presented the 2019 Electoral Roll number to be 23</p> <p>There will be a revised Electoral Roll in 2022</p> <p>Thanks were extended to all those involved in the preparation and presentation of the Electoral Roll.</p>

4.	<p>Deanery Synod Representatives</p> <p>Thanks, are extended to Lisa Neale and Anne Musson for serving as Deanery Synod Representatives.</p> <p>Due to our electoral role having been registered as 20 in 2018 we are entitled to one (1) Deanery Synod Representative.</p> <p>Anne Musson has been proposed by Dawn Lonsdale</p> <p>Seconded by Steven Lonsdale</p> <p>and is duly appointed to serve as Deanery Synod representative for St Lawrence</p>						
5.	<p>Election of PCC members</p> <p>There are three vacancies for PCC members:</p> <p>There are three nominations for PCC members in 2020 which were made prior to the Meeting.</p> <p>Nominees:</p> <p>Leonie George</p> <p>Garry Morley</p> <p>Kate Morley</p> <p>Leonie George proposed by Kate Morley, seconded by Anne Musson</p> <p>Leonie George elected to serve for three years up to 2023 on the St Lawrence Parish Church Council.</p> <p>Garry Morley proposed by Lisa Neale, seconded by Anne Musson</p> <p>Garry Morley elected to serve for three years up to 2023 on the St Lawrence Parish Church Council.</p> <p>Kate Morley proposed by Lisa Neale, seconded by Anne Musson</p> <p>Kate Morley elected to serve for three years up to 2023 on the St Lawrence Parish Church Council.</p> <p>Becky Moore has agreed to continue to serve as PCC Treasurer without voting rights in 2020</p> <p>Our PCC for 2020 is</p> <p>Church Wardens</p> <p>Dawn Lonsdale</p> <p>Anne Musson</p> <p>Clergy:</p> <p>Karen Padley (Vicar)</p> <p>Lisa Shemilt (Associate Minister)</p> <p>Reader:</p> <p>Ann Turner</p> <p>Deanery Synod Reps</p> <p>Anne Musson (2023)</p> <p>Elected Lay Members</p> <table data-bbox="204 1973 1098 2101"> <tr> <td>Leonie George (2023)</td><td>Kate Morley (2023)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Garry Morley (2023)</td><td>Sharon Smith (2021)</td></tr> <tr> <td>Terry Smith (2022)</td><td>Pearl Stirland (2022)</td></tr> </table>	Leonie George (2023)	Kate Morley (2023)	Garry Morley (2023)	Sharon Smith (2021)	Terry Smith (2022)	Pearl Stirland (2022)
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6	<p>Appointment of Sides people</p> <p>At the January 2019 meeting of the PCC following a discussion regarding a formally agreed Sides people who would serve as a pool of individuals who could be approached by the Church Warden Team to stand in for Church Wardens as needed for specific services. The following people have been appointed to serve in this capacity until the next APCM 2021</p> <p>Garry Morley Kate Morley Michelle Nixon Leonie George Steven Lonsdale Sharon Smith Pearl Stirland Lisa Neale</p> <p>Proposed: Ann Turner Seconded: Anne Musson All in favour And so duly appointed until the next APCM to carry our Duty Warden duties as requested.</p>
7	<p>Presentation of Accounts and Treasurers Report</p> <p>The Independently Examined Accounts for 2019 were presented by Reverend Lisa Shemilt (Chair) and discussed.</p> <p>The 2019 Examined Accounts were Proposed: Ann Turner Seconded: Leonie George All in agreement to be accepted.</p> <p>Thanks, were extended to the Treasurer Becky Moore for her time given to produce an accurate record of the PCC Accounts.</p>
8	<p>Appointment of Independent Examiner</p> <p>Thanks, were extended to Mr Brian Parker for acting as our Independent Examiner</p> <p>The Appointment of Mr Brian Parker (Lay Chair of Deanery Synod) to serve as our Independent Financial examiner was Proposed: Anne Musson Seconded: Kate Morley All in agreement</p>

9	<p>Reports</p> <p>The following Reports were displayed in Church to be viewed by all to show the work of the various areas of Church life during 2019. These reports were also made available on the St Lawrence website.</p> <p>Caterpillar Club Coffee Morning Mundy Junior School Community Choir PCC PCC Treasurer's & independent examiner's reports Churchwardens Coathangers Safeguarding Community Fair Heanor Vision Deanery Synod Worship Committee Youth Group</p> <p>(copies of the report attached to the 2020 APCM minutes)</p> <p>No questions were raised from these reports</p>
10	<p>Matters taken from the floor to be addressed by the PCC</p> <p>(Prior to today's meeting a letter had been sent out to church members from Rev Lisa and the Church Wardens regarding the continuation of services in church.)</p> <p>To review 'Covid safe approach' regarding church services from the end of September.</p>
11	<p>Date of the next APCM</p> <p>The date of the next APCM will be decided at November PCC Meeting.</p>
12	<p>Date of the next PCC Meeting</p> <p>The next PCC Meeting: Tuesday 8th September 2020</p>
13	<p>The 2020 APCM was closed with the grace</p>

“Vicar’s” Report 2020

This has indeed been an extraordinary year. Along with the rest of the country we went into the first lock-down in March, never dreaming that Covid restrictions would still be impacting our lives a year later. Our response at St Lawrence’s to the implications of this pandemic have been responsive and generous- for which I am very grateful.

Initially folk were encouraged to access worship through the radio, television and social media. The intention was to harness this opportunity to expose ourselves to different expressions of worship which wouldn’t usually be accessible, given that we would be gathering together at St Lawrence. From the outset Lisse recorded weekly sermons for posting on Facebook and Dawn posted memes and songs intended to offer opportunities for reflection and encouragement. After a short while we began gathering for a time of social interaction; a “coffee after church” slot. After a while a request was made to gather for Bible Study and we began to facilitate Bible Study discussions from 10- 11 on a Sunday followed by a Social time.

When we were legally allowed in, the church building was opened for an hour on a Saturday for personal prayer. The church was rearranged to facilitate these times to happen in a safe way. The numbers of people who made use of this opportunity were very low and once we were able to meet in church for Sunday services we changed from opening the church building routinely to opening it by appointment.

As soon as we legally could, we gathered in Church at 10 am for a 50 minute service that combined liturgy and Bible study. This was a model we had been using once a month for “Table Church” creating a shape of service that allowed us to gather and interact in a meaningful and authentic way. All those gathered in person were required to maintain Social distancing, wear appropriate face coverings and take the other necessary precautions to ensure safe gathering. Integral to the safety measures was being able to keep at least three doors open to ensure very good ventilation. So far as I am aware we are the only church community that endeavoured to operate in a fully interactive way on zoom with part of the congregation gathering in person in church and part of the congregation participating from home on Zoom. This mode of interacting brought its own challenges and is tremendously demanding both in terms of the number of people required to make it work for those at home and those in the church building and also the demands on those leading the service and facilitating the Zoom connections. After 50 minutes folk were encouraged to leave the building swiftly and to gather online at home for a social chat via zoom.

As Summer drew to a close the increasing cold made continuing to meet in person in

the church no longer viable and we agreed to apply to the Bishop for Permission to close the building until the beginning of May 2021. This permission was granted.

The things we have been doing through this time:

*Regular contact by telephone for those not on social media- during full lock-down weekly calls to continue to weave connection and relationship. Contact has been moderated over time to try to fit comfortably with people's need and my own capacity.

- Monthly mailings-
 - for all those for whom we have addresses across the three churches I am involved with and into the wider community. St Lawrence has picked up the cost as part of our care and outreach into the wider community. We have sent hand made greeting cards made to a theme for the month/ season with a greeting, intended to provide contact and encouragement. The mailings commenced at the start of Lent 2020 and have not yet stopped.
 - Usually there has been a tangible object enclosed along the theme, so in the July/ August card there were postcards to colour in and send to someone. The month before there were two laminated prayer cards, one to keep and use and one to pass on. We had autumn leaves and in the card insert there was an encouragement to allow what needs to fall and die, knowing and trusting that spring will come. In November white fabric poppy petals were enclosed as an encouragement to pray for peace.
 - For those involved at St Lawrence there is also a seasonal liturgy resource which is used for Sunday services and a news sheet with any administrative, maintenance and pastoral news, as well as the readings and collects for the coming month. We usually add something else as well. It might be a song or an extended prayer or meditation for people to sit with as they have space, inclination and capacity.
- Weekly emails
 - Each week an email goes out to those who choose to connect with us in that way, attached to the email is the weekly videoed sermon, connection details for the zoom service, the readings and the questions people will be encouraged to discuss during the service. We are thankful for the Unlock approach which has informed this activity.

Facebook

- Weekly videoed sermons (we have around 20-25 people in church, those consistently viewing the videos are between 160 and over 200)

- An Act of Remembrance was recorded at both the Memorial Park and the First World War Memorial on the Church Forecourt with appropriate and careful social distancing. These particular posting attracted over 4000 views.

- Over Advent, Christmas and Epiphany Kate Morley, Garry Morley and Anne Musson (together in a support Bubble) recorded reflections- a Song, a reading and a meditation which were then posted on facebook.

- Dawn Lonsdale has been posting links to memes and songs that link to the theme of the week. These are trickled out through the week.

-Dawn Lonsdale has also initiated a more private facebook group for those linking to the zoom services. Any supportive or follow up material and resources mentioned in the zoom service are posted there. E.g one week Julian of Norwich was mentioned and a number of books were suggested. Those titles and links were posted to this group.

The has been a lot of care and sharing that has happened across the congregation, baked goods shared, acts of care and connection even though Socially distanced. These expressions of care and concern have extended to the leadership teams of the three schools St Lawrence's most closely relates to. (Corfield and Mundy Church of England schools and Howitt)

When the church building has been closed, we have used the doors and notice board for displays. In November Corfield put up a display for Remembrance. In December Mundy School created a Christmas display that went alongside the Christmas tree that was put up on the Churchyard in partnership with Gillotts Undertakers and Loscoe and Heanor Town Council. This offered people a place to come and remember those they love and have lost. This was well received and people responded and interacted enthusiastically to this opportunity. We have had some good feedback and our initiative was included in the Diocesan Videoed Advent "Calender".

This has been a challenging time for us all in all sorts of ways but I genuinely believe that although we would never have chosen the challenges of this time, we will find "Treasures in the snow". Doing church in the way we have has facilitated deep conversations and opportunities to engage, think and talk through our faith in ways not usually facilitated in our usual services. It will take time both to register the full cost of this time and also to recognise the benefits bestowed in this time.

May God continue to lead and direct our path as we navigate the next season of this particular journey.

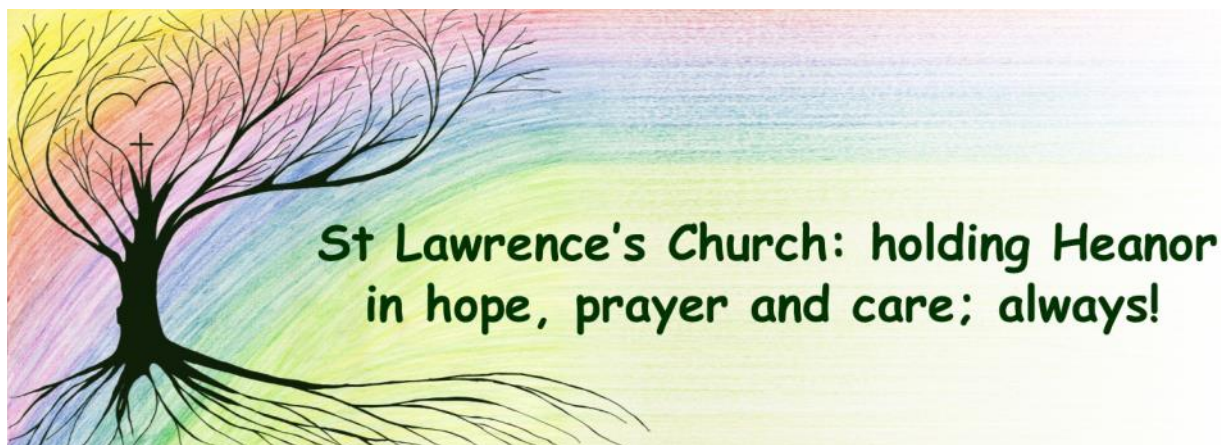
Churchwardens

Whilst the building has been used in a much more limited way this year due to the Covid 19 pandemic the Churchwarden Team have continued to meet regularly and to continue their work in maintaining the fabric of the building, along with helping with the smooth running of the church.

This year saw the Quinquennial inspection which highlighted a few issues, but overall was reassuring. The most urgent issues surrounded the rainwater management and some very severely blocked downpipes on the south side of the Church.

A full electrical inspection also took place with minimal work being required.

As the church was closed for a good part of the year a cleaner was no longer required, however the Churchwarden Team have continued to monitor the building and cleaning has been undertaken by volunteers when needed. Prior to opening during the pandemic, full risk assessments have been done and approved by the Diocese and safety measures such as one way systems, hand sanitiser, managed access, 2 metre distancing and booking for places in church have been implemented.



All necessary maintenance and repairs have been undertaken as usual (eg fire extinguishers) in order to maintain the building in good order.

The Churchwarden Team have been involved in the community outreach including decorating the large Christmas tree in the churchyard and ensuring the displays are updated regularly around the church.

New banners have been designed and produced to remind the community that the church is still operating even though the building has been closed for a significant time.

Zoom has become a new way of working for both services and meetings and has enabled the day to day work of the church to keep going.

Two insurance claims were made – one when entry was gained and items were taken from inside the church, and the second when an attempt was made to break in on the external kitchen door (entry wasn't gained on this occasion).

A very active promotion of St Lawrence via Facebook has taken place, with postings of songs, inspirational meme's, and sermons on a very regular basis. This has resulted in greatly increased traffic on the Facebook page and a number of new likes and followers – enabling us to reach a much wider group of people. A Support page (closed group for congregation) has also been useful to share information and resources.

As the year draws to a close and lockdown restrictions are due to be lifted the Churchwarden team are preparing to reopen the building and move forward into the new year whilst continuing to adapt to any new guidance or legislation.



Mundy Junior School



Unfortunately, everyone's review of the past year will reference the pandemic because it has defined and framed our lives. Schools are special places anyway, constantly adapting and evolving within the

context of an ever-changing educational world. What never changes, are the needs of our children, they want to feel safe, cared about and respected. This is a time which has been punctuated by school closures, national lockdowns, anxiety, and uncertainty. However, what Mundy Junior School takes from the past 12 months are the positives, the unexpected benefits.

Taking out food hampers to our most vulnerable children and their families has built bridges, strengthened relationships, enhanced the sense of our school community. We continued this through the holidays, anticipating but ahead of U-turns.

Our support mechanisms for those children at home has helped us to shine a light on our children's lives. Rather than wait for official laptops, we sourced our own to ensure that the children at most risk of falling behind academically were not disadvantaged. Remote learning was a new challenge during this past year which we have had to adapt and model to suit children both at home and those of children attending on site, we were always mindful of the challenges to parents having to attend difficult working situations as well as parents trying to home school their children whilst working, an admirable accomplishment.

We miss our Collective Worship, times when we can be together physically as one school, to celebrate each other's achievements. However, gaining strength through adversity has been our golden thread which we will continue to follow.

Mundy Junior School Senior Leadership Team



Corfield Infant School Governors

We were sorry to receive the resignation of Mrs Kathryn McKinley who had successfully served as head teacher for over ten years. We thanked her for her devotion to Corfield over the years. she served with the school. Mrs McKinley left her post in April, 2020 to take up a headship at a larger school. We wished her well in her post.

The newly appointed head teacher Mrs Louise Bignall took up her position at a difficult time as Covid 19 had put everyone in Lockdown.

Information was put in place to ensure all safety measures were followed and parents were kept well informed of help and support. This was given by text and email.

The school was open during Lockdown for children of Key Workers and vulnerable children.

Parents were given guidance to help with the home schooling of the children who were having to remain at home.

Documentation was put in place to ensure that the emotional well-being of the children is implemented when they returned to school.

The well-being of staff and children has been an important consideration at this difficult time, the Church and Governors have given support wherever possible.

We give thanks for the continuing work of the school as plans are put in place to move forward to a safe and secure future.

Foundation Governors
Pearl Stirland
Ann Turner



Parochial Church Council

PCC REPORT FOR 2020

The Church year began with the whole Country being in a full lockdown.

During Lockdown it was agreed unanimously by the PCC that Rev Lisa Shemilt and The Church Wardens take over the day to day running of the church and to make all necessary decisions on behalf of the PCC.

The 2019/2020 APCM was held September 6th, followed a few days later by the first PCC meeting of the church year on 8th September 2020. Both meetings were held, socially distanced, in church.

Since then, the PCC has met, via Zoom, on 3 further occasions. We have continued to receive regular reports on Mission, Finance, Church and ground maintenance and Safeguarding.

There have been many challenges this year but with faith and prayer the PCC continues to strive to be an effective body for the continued smooth running of St Lawrence Church.

Sharon Smith

PCC Secretary



PCC Finances

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Laurence's Church, Heanor

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144[2] of the Charities Act 2011[the 2011 Act] and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- >examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- >to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145[5][b] of the 2011 Act; and
- >to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

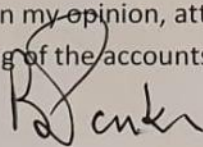
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- > to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- > to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Name: Brian Parker

Address: 103 William Street, Long Eaton

Date: 17 February 2021

PCC Finances

St Lawrence, Heanor - Income and expenditure to 31 December 2020

INCOME	Actual 2020
Cash Collections	863.08
FWO	5460.00
Fees	778.00
Corfield Trust	1437.05
Gift Aid	2928.93
Bequests	0
Donations	1242.20
Hire	305.00
Children	0.00
Events	386.50
TOTAL	13400.76
EXPENDITURE	Actual 2020
Insurance	2579.98
House keeping/ Consumables	672.19
Children	0.00
Maintenance	3077.10
Giving	255
Music	325.98
Parish Share	2000.00
Photocopying	399.93
Mission/Worship	1214.61
Training	0.00
Utilities	3025.07
Fees owed to DBF	1952.5
Clergy Expenses	750.48
Occasional office fees	120.00
Other (Synod cont / Flowers	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	16372.84
Loss	-2972.08

Statement of Assets

Santander Balance at 1 January 2020	£16,325.58
Excess expenditure	£2,972.08
Unpresented cheque	£2,817.08
Balance at 31 December 2020	£13,508.50

Safeguarding

Safeguarding has changed during the year and not just because of Covid!

Although many of our events and activities were suspended due to Covid safeguarding remains a priority at St Lawrence Church.

During the year an audit of safeguarding training needs has been undertaken, and, where necessary people have undertaken the necessary updates to bring them in line with Church of England requirements. This year the training has been online via Teams or Zoom so has necessitated less travel and helped to keep everyone safe.

Both Rev Lisa Shemilt and Anne Musson have undertaken Safer Recruitment training to comply with current guidance.

The diocese are in the process of changing the procedures for procuring DBS certificates and are giving more control to individual parish's through the Parish Safeguarding Officers. Anne has undergone the training and has recently been issued with a bank of DBS numbers to allocate so that apart from the very last stage of the process (confirmation from the diocese) all process can be undertaken locally for the vast majority of applicants.

As life returns to a more pre-covid normal all activities in the Church will be reviewed as, and when it is appropriate to ensure all the safeguarding needs of both children and adults are addressed as the Church building is used more frequently and our interactions increase.

Anne Musson (Parish Safeguarding Lead during 2020)



Lettings

The lettings for the church buildings have been on hold since March 2020 due to the Covid Pandemic.

We have taken the decision not to reopen during the winter months when this may have been possible for a short period as the blown air heating system wasn't suitable to be used and the building would have been too cold to have been used safely without any heating being present.

We have kept in touch with the groups that usually use the church to ensure they understand the reasons why we have not been able to accept bookings during this time.

We are now looking at the building and preparing risk assessments to enable lettings to resume once this is safe and in line with government guidance.



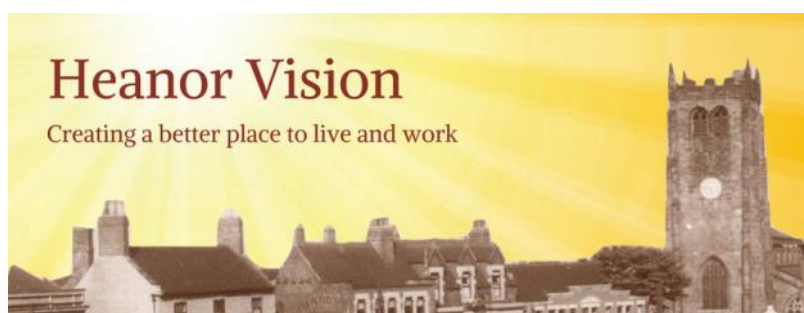
This report will reflect a theme that runs through most of the reports for 2020, that of the Covid Pandemic and the impact it had on our organisation.

In March 2020 we held our last Community Fair in the Church before Lockdown was announced. This affected all our cottage traders where a significant number had to put a halt on the sale of their goods, move online and introduce new and innovative ways of trading. This was a new world that we all entered which was very different to what we were used to.

The market operated for the first few months, as an essential traders only ie food and essential goods. When we moved out of lock down our Market Manager was able to increase the selection of stalls to a more normal weekly market and was able to hold a couple of extra markets ie at Christmas. Second lockdown arrived and we returned back to an essentials market once again and we are awaiting release in order to increase the capacity once again. Financially we have been able to break even regarding the market, but this is not a sustainable position and our income has reduced substantially over the past year. We were unable to access any grants to help support the reduction in income.

Vision were unable to hold any events over the past year, but we have a grant banked for our next event. The Lottery fund have been understanding that we cannot fulfil our obligations until there is an easing of lockdown.

Whilst in Lockdown we tried to think of ways of engaging with the community, to give them a bit of cheer and bring us all together in a united local event that didn't impact on the government guidance. We launched our first community event in June, or Door Stop Decorations, with Scarecrows of Heanor which really took off and there was an enormous amount of enthusiasm with scarecrows all over the town. Then August saw 'Heanor Zoo' appear all over town, which was fantastic fun, then this was followed by The 'Colours of Autumn' in November. This was such a great way of getting people out and about around town and brought a smile to a lot of faces.



Vision have been assisting businesses with grant applications and ensuring information is distributed to relevant organisations and businesses to support them whilst they have had to shut or have been financially impacted by Covid. We have assisted AVBC, as consultees, in the submission of the Government High Street Fund and have worked on a number of strategic projects that potentially would have an impact on Heanor ie holding a socially distanced public meeting at Shipley Park regarding the proposed Cyclocross planning application by Waystones.

During major celebrations, as we were unable to run our usual events and markets, we initiated a project of themed Bollard Sleeves which at Christmas used this platform to tell the Christmas story whilst advertising local traders and businesses. This project , as well as being an interesting addition to the market place, encouraged footfall and was a bit of fun, in what was a very difficult time.

At Christmas we introduced a Heanor High Street Voucher as an initiative to help increase footfall on the high street. These have been well received, but with the lockdown of shops has made it difficult to promote more widely at present.

Heanor Vision continue to meet every third Thursday via Zoom during lockdown, but as soon as we can return to physical meetings we will do so.

Thank you for the Heanor Vision Team:

Leonie George – Chair

Nicola Moncrieff – Vice Chair Events Coordinator

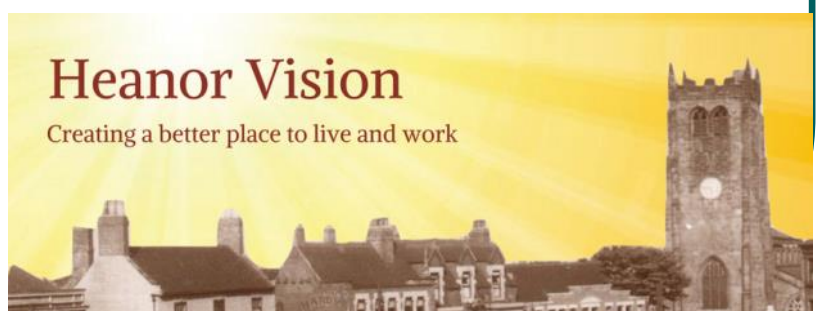
Stuart Turner – Treasurer

Rebecca Ross – Social Media Coordinator

Megan Moncrieff – Secretary

Elizabeth Barrow – Market
Manager

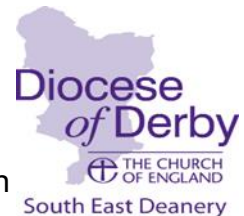
Jean Thompson and Angie
Painter – Committee
Members



Deanery Synod

Although 2020 was a very unusual year from March onwards, the deanery has still managed to fulfil the majority of its roles and both Karen and Angela have been available throughout lockdown in addition to the deanery leadership team and many staff from the parish support office to support and assist parishes as needed.

Prior to lockdown we held a deanery synod meeting at Long Eaton St John on Tuesday 11th February with the speaker being Reverend Beth Honey, diocesan pioneer and fresh expressions enabler.



In June, as parish representation legislation had not yet been agreed to allow synods to meet other than in person, we held a meeting of synod members via Zoom and opened it up to wardens and readers. Our speakers were clergy and laity who shared their experiences of continuing to offer worship and contact with congregations during lockdown and included examples of live streaming and broadcasting pre-recorded service, a telephone dial-a-sermon and CD recordings for those without internet. It also gave opportunity for members to be updated on latest guidelines and what support was available. Unfortunately, our planned deanery days, social evening and deanery Advent carol service had to be cancelled due to COVID restrictions.

However, annual parochial church meetings were able to be held either in person or via Zoom by the end of October 2020 and the new members of deanery synod elected.

The first meeting of the new deanery synod took place via Zoom on 1st December 2020 with Bishop Libby as speaker, outlining the deanery vision. At this synod we also re-elected Mr Brian Parker as lay chair and Mr John Puxty as lay secretary.

Chapter meetings for clergy were also made available to readers and were held regularly throughout the year and had speakers including the new dean of the cathedral as well as offering opportunities for discussion on how ministry was being offered around the deanery during the pandemic and sharing of ideas and advice.

Reverend Peter Davey (Cotmanhay) and Reverend Andrew Taylor-Cook (Denby group) both moved to Scotland early in the year and Father Tom Barnfather (Holy Trinity Ilkeston) retired. Father David Lawrence-March took up his post at Long Eaton St Laurence and Holy Trinity Ilkeston on 1st December after being licenced via Zoom.

The area dean and lay chair have met representatives of parishes without incumbents regularly throughout the year, via Zoom, to support and update them with worship resources and advice.

The deanery has continued to produce a newsletter approximately every 8 weeks with news and individual articles and information for parishes- all contributions welcome.

2021 has started with a deanery synod meeting focussing on the diocesan vision and changes needed to make the Kingdom of God relevant to all generations.

Karen Padley- area dean

Brian Parker- lay chair

Angela Clayton- deanery administrator

16th February 2021

Worship Committee

Throughout 2020 we have tried to ensure that we manage worship in ways that :-

- Help people to grow in faith and their relationship with God
- Mark the seasons of the church year.
- Are as safe as possible
- Are accessible to as many people as possible
- Continue to be engaging and relevant
- Take account of the particular needs and ways of our own worshipping community
- Reach out to the wider local community in ways that connect
- Support people through the challenges of 2020

We have been flexible, creative, innovative and generous. We have welcomed participation from guests whose usual place of worship is currently not operating.

Many people have put in a good deal of hard work in order to make all of this possible.

Morning Prayer

Including Table Church X 8

Holy Communion X 7

7



Harvest Festival x1



X 2



Confirmation x1

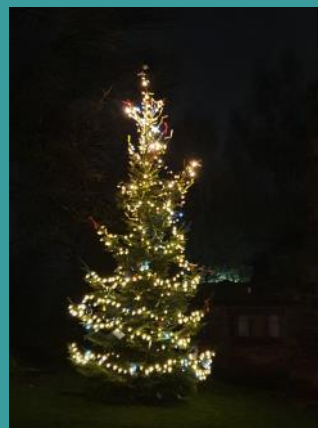


Holy Week Reflections X 3



Advent
Reflection
Videos X

12



Prayers at
the
Christmas
Tree video

x 1

Christmas Eve worship Video

x1



Christmas Morning Zoom service X1

Acts of Remembrance

(Videos) x3



Church

open for

private

prayer X 4

Prayer Space



At St Lawrence Church,
Heanor

11.00am until 12 noon
Saturday



Video Sermons x 47

Morning prayer & Bible

study

on

Zoom

x 15



Morning prayer in

church with Zoom x 10

