

**Minutes of The Parish of Hollingbourne**  
**Annual Parish Church Meeting**  
in All Saints' Church on 7th April 2013 at 12 noon

**ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING**

**Present:**     **Rev Nigel Fry**  
                  **Derek Bilbrough ALM**  
                  Gavin Blbrough, Paula Bilbrough, Andrew Brice, John Cobbett, Frances Crossley,  
                  Alison & Vernon Finch, Carole & Jim Findlay, Jan Fry, Jo Horton,  
                  Jim & Pamela Johnson, Roland & Sue King, Shula Lee, Val & Peter Lurcock,  
                  Dawn & William Perry, Val Prentice, Marion Pring, Jim & Mary Rabbett,  
                  Philip Smith, Rosemary Stratton, Pauline Stubbs, Jean Talboys,  
                  Ivor & Mary Tapsfield and Susan Woodhouse.

1.     **Apologies for absence.**  
       Yvonne Evans, Mark Ritchie, Pat & Rosemarie Sandford, Natalie Williams.
  
2.     **Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting on 1st April 2012**  
       had been circulated to all on Electoral Roll.
  
3.     **Matters arising from these Minutes.** There were none.  
       The adoption of these Minutes was proposed by John Cobbett and seconded by Andrew Brice.
  
4.     **Election of Church Wardens**  
       Will Perry has retired.  
       The Election of Jim Findlay proposed by Paula Bilbrough, seconded by Jean Talboys and unanimously approved
  
5.     **Any other business.**  
       There was none.

Signed..... Date.....

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1.     **Apologies for absence.**  
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2. **The Minutes of the Annual Parochial Meeting on 1st April 2012**  
had been circulated.
3. **Matters arising from these Minutes**, there were none.  
The adoption of the Minutes was proposed by John Cobbett and seconded by Jan Fry.
4. **Clergy Report**  
Nigel first thanked many people for their work for All Saints' Church:  
Churchwardens William Perry and Jim Findlay, PCC secretary Jean Talboys,  
Robin Gill and Derek Bilbrough for their help with Ministry.  
The four members of the PCC who were retiring -  
Frances Crossley, William Perry (Churchwarden), Mary Rabbett (Deanery Synod) and  
Jean Talboys (PCC Secretary).  
The four people who were standing for election to the PCC.  
Organists, Choir and Choir Master, sides-people, flower arrangers, cleaners, bell ringers  
and those who lead our intercessions each week.  
Marion Pring and Marjorie Noar – vergers and sacristans.  
The Friends of Hollingbourne Church and all the 'unsung' heroes.  
  
He thanked all from Hollingbourne Church who had supported him during his January  
sabbatical and said that he hoped, health permitting, to be with us for a while longer.  
  
The Church in Hollingbourne was growing in confidence: Messy Church, Home Group,  
and School contacts. There would be a Ministry and Mission Day at Lenham with Bishop  
Trevor on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2013.  
  
Nigel stressed the need for prayer; reminding us of Bishop Trevor's visit, The Prayer  
Corner and Home Group.
5. **Report of the Electoral Roll Officer**  
There are now 55 names on the Electoral Roll (44 resident and 11 non-resident),  
compared with 51 (40 resident and 11 non-resident) in March 2012.
6. **Treasurer's Report and Adoption of Accounts**  
After a brief discussion of the assessment of the Church's financial situation, noted in the  
Annual Report for 2012, the adoption of the accounts for 2012 was proposed by Sue  
King and seconded by Peter Lurcock.
7. **Fabric Report**  
William Perry acknowledged the support from The Friends of the Church which had  
enabled the current work on the trees in the Churchyard to be carried out. All the urgent  
work noted in the Quinquennial Report had been dealt with. The roof gutters and gullies  
had been cleared.
8. **Social Committee Report**  
Jan Fry thanked all those who had helped her during 2012 and Pauline Stubbs for  
agreeing to become chairman of the Social Committee.
9. **Deanery Synod Report**  
Mary Rabbett gave a summary of the report printed in the Annual Report for 2012.

10. **Other Reports**

**Gift Aid**

Jim Findlay discussed the new arrangements for Gift Aid which would be applicable to money put in Collections during Services without previous form filling.

**Parish Magazine**

Katrine Callender was thanked for her work as editor of the magazine.

**Hollingbourne Helpers**

The service continues well.

11. **Election of Deanery Synod Member.**

Derek Bilbrough proposed by Jean Talboys and seconded by Pauline Stubbs.

12. **Election of PCC Members** was unanimously approved -

Paula Bilbrough, John Cobbett, Jim Johnson, Sue King, Marion Pring and Pauline Stubbs have agreed to continue serving on the PCC.

Nominations had been received from -

Shula Lee proposed by William Perry seconded by Jean Talboys

Val Lurcock proposed by Dawn Perry seconded by Jean Talboys

Philip Smith proposed by William Perry seconded by Jean Talboys

Natalie Williams proposed by William Perry seconded by Jean Talboys

13. **Election of Sidesmen** was unanimously approved

Paula Bilbrough, Andrew Brice, John Cobbett, Frances Crossley, Derek Davison, Carole Findlay, Jim Findlay, Pamela Johnson, Peter Lurcock, Barney Nisbet, Dawn Perry, Jim Rabbett, Julian Smith and Jean Talboys have agreed to continue. Gavin Bilbrough was willing to be elected.

13. **Any other Business.**

a) Andrew Brice hoped to arrange the annual meeting and lecture of The Friends of Hollingbourne Church as soon as he had found a speaker.

b) Jim expressed his thanks to William Perry for all he had done to maintain the Church Fabric and Churchyard.

Signed..... Date.....