

**The Priory and Parish Church of Saint Mary, Lancaster**

**Minutes of the Vestry Meeting on Sunday May 21, 2023  
at 11.15am in Lancaster Priory**

**PRESENT:** 51 lay people. 5 clergy persons were accepted as non-voting members.

**CHAIR:** Leah Vasey-Saunders (Vicar)

**SECRETARY:** Mr Martin Mulligan

The meeting opened with a prayer led by the Chair.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS VESTRY MEETING**

The Minutes of the Vestry meeting of Sunday May 29, 2022 had been distributed to PCC members via e-mail before the meeting and further copies were available to those present.

**MOTION:** The adoption of the Minutes was proposed by Barbara Gardner and seconded by Valerie Pearson. The vote was unanimous.

There were no Matters Arising.

**ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS**

The Chairman thanked Pauline Fielding, who was stepping down, for her work and tireless dedication and hoped that she would continue to flourish in ministry.

**MOTION:** The Chairman wanted to extend a vote of thanks to Pauline. Proposer: LV-S. Seconded: Stuart Birse. She invited a round of applause.

One person was standing for the role of churchwarden: Mr Dave Russell.

No other nominations were received. A show of hands established that no one was in favour of reopening nominations. The Chairman called for prayer and reflection by those present at the meeting to discern any subsequent lay vocations to churchwarden.

**MOTION:** To elect Mr Dave Russell as churchwarden. Proposer: Pauline Fielding. Seconded: Barbara Gardner. The vote was unanimous.

This concluded the business of the Vestry Meeting.