

**Minutes of the  
First Annual Vestry Meeting  
of the  
Pedair Afon Ministry Area  
St David's Church, Pencoed  
Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**Present:** Geoff Lake (MAC Lay Chair) Rev Ian Hodges (MA Leader) Rev Julian Jenkins, Rev Roger Pitman, Rev Suzanne Brumble, Rev Glenda Oglesbee, Billy Davies, Christine Evans, Joy Whiting, Helen Legett, Jane Phillips, Stephen Jones, Christopher Rees, Mike Richardson, Eurof Parry, Donna Dring, Simon Dring, Melville Oglesbee, Paul Williams, Joan Sheldon, Susan Williams, Norman Davies, D Hayward, L Rosser, Marlene Liley, Kath Evans, Janet Nicol, Kay Smith, Judy McCarthy (MA Secretary).

**Apologies:** Sara Davies, Liz Richardson, Rev Olwen Parry, Mike and Beryl Coates, Jill Luff, Jo Rees. Kevin Murphy (MA Vicar's Warden) would be attending but late due to work commitments.

**MA Leader:** Rev Ian opened the meeting with prayer and showed a video of a song by Tim Minchin. Here is a link to the video: <https://youtu.be/dg3PberzvXo>

Rev Ian explained that he played it to show that God is perfect and we are not but us and God make a great team. 'We are not perfect, but we are here'.

**MA Lay Chair:** Geoff Lake spoke of his previous experience as Chair of various bodies, and reminded those present that MA council members had legal obligations as Trustees of the Ministry Area, which is a charitable institution. MAC meetings are business meetings and should be run as such.

**Minutes of Annual Vestries 2021:** Simon Dring proposed these be accepted as true records. Seconded by Mel Oglesbee. All agreed.

**Clergy Reports:** the reports were read out and are held on file.

**MA Treasurer:** Mel Oglesbee introduced himself and outlined his role as MA treasurer. He gave a financial report which is held on file.

**Elections:**

**People's Warden:** Helen Leggett was nominated and duly elected as People's Warden.

**Ministry Area Council Members:** William Davies (St David's, Pontycymmer) Jane Phillips (St David's, Bettws) Eurof Parry (St John's, Aberkenfig) Christine Evans (St Ceinwyr's, Llangeinor) Sara Davies (Llanilid) Simon Dring (St David's, Pencoed) Donna Dring (St Paul's, Heol y Cyw) Further members may be co-opted at a later date.

**Delegates to Deanery Conference:** Eurof Parry, Geoff Lake, Kay Smith, Stephen Jones, Christopher Rees, Mel Oglesbee.

**Delegates to Diocesan Conference:** Kevin Murphy, Helen Leggett, Geoff Lake, Stephen Jones, Mel Oglesbee.

Rev Ian introduced the two MA wardens; Kevin Murphy (Vicar's Warden) and Helen Leggett (People's Warden). Helen gave an inspiring speech stating how she was looking forward to working

together as a Ministry Area – the full text is held on file and appears in the May edition of the LPH Parish Magazine.

**Questions:** A question was asked regarding the Deanery and Diocesan conferences. Rev Ian gave a brief explanation of the structure, function and frequency of each.

**Wardens' Declaration:** The two Wardens were duly sworn in.

There being no further business, the meeting closed with prayer.