

PCC Minutes: Thursday 8th May 2025
St Luke's Church, Grayshott
Meeting 416 of the PCC in the Timothy Room at 9.00 pm.

This meeting followed the APCM.

Present: PCC Members: Revd. Jeremy Haswell, Jonathan Tippett, Annette Baker, Ros Balfour, Clive Loder, Hilary Loder, Viv Ward, Susanne Wavre.

In attendance: Susie Millard (LLM), Edward Tobin (PCC Secretary).

1. Apologies

Alice Murphy, Anna Lescure, Anne Gale-Jones, Philippa Whitaker, June Windle.

2. Elections, co-options and appointments to the PCC

- a. Chairman – Revd Haswell.
- b. Licensed Lay Minister on PCC – Susie Millard
(Proposed: Vicar; Seconded: Suzanne Wavre; Unanimous approval)
- c. Vice Chairman – Jonathan Tippett
(Proposed: Vicar; Seconded: Clive Loder; Unanimous approval)
- d. PCC Secretary – Edward Tobin
(Proposed: Vicar; Seconded: Jonathan Tippett; Unanimous approval)
- e. Treasurer – Viv Ward
(Proposed: Clive Loder; Seconded: Hilary Loder; Unanimous approval)
- f. Assistant Churchwardens – Clive Loder, Richard Pimm, Patrick Johnston.
(Clive Loder pointed out these are not statutory appointments and do not need to be voted)
Standing Committee – Chairman, both Church Wardens, Treasurer, PCC Secretary & 1 other PCC Member *(To be decided at the next PCC meeting)*
- g. Finance Working Group – PCC Chairman, Jonathan Tippett, Alice Murphy, Treasurer, Stewardship Recorder, Congregation Member.
(To be decided at the next PCC meeting)
- h. Bank Signatories – PCC General Fund: Vicar, Treasurer & Jonathan Tippett.
- Stewardship Account: Barbara Johnston & Treasurer.
- i. Stewardship Recorder – Barbara Johnston
(Proposed: Vicar; Seconded: Clive Loder; Unanimous approval)
- j. Electoral Roll Officer – John Haine
(Proposed: Ros Balfour; Seconded: Suzanne Wavre; Unanimous approval)
- k. Human Resources (HR) and Accessibility Officer
(Previously Clive Purkiss who is no longer on the PCC. Position vacant)
- l. Parish Safeguarding Officers and PCC Designated Safeguarding Leads – Hilary Loder & Penny Thomas.
(Proposed: Vicar; Seconded: Suzanne Wavre; Unanimous approval)

Health & Safety Officer / Fire Officer:

Clive Loder explained that no one in the parish held the appropriate qualifications to legally take on these roles. Richard Pimm organised Fire Safety arrangements and PCC members jointly held the responsibilities of Health and Safety.

3. Minutes of PCC Meeting 415 on 20th March 2025

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed. They were proposed by Suzanne Wavre and seconded by Clive Loder and signed by the Chairman.

4. Other Business

A. Recruitment of a Youth & Families Worker

Hilary Loder had asked for the PCC to decide on advertising for this new post after the present youth worker, Rhys McLaren, will leave us on 31st August 2025. Susie pointed out the scope of the new post is greater as it will encompass the Babes & Toddler Group as well. However, the main priority will still be The Base youth group for 4 hours on Friday evenings. The Terms of employment will be 12 hours / week at £14 / hour over a 2year fixed term. While there is someone in mind, the vacancy should be advertised either internally (on the church website) or externally (via Guildford Diocese). While the latter involved no cost, it would require three months' notice.

B. Grayshott School – Academy Trust

The Vicar told the meeting that it is proposed that Grayshott C of E Controlled Primary School (which is currently funded by Hampshire County Council) should come under the control of an Academy Trust. This is a group of schools with a Trust Board funded from central government. The present governors (including 2 foundation governors appointed by the PCC) would cease to be trustees of the school.

Hilary Loder had experience of such schemes both in Guildford and Chichester Dioceses and felt there were potential advantages. The Guildford Diocese Academy Trust is called the Good Shepherd Trust and has been in existence for some time and is well managed.

The Vicar said that he will invite Linda Holbrook, the present chair of governors, to speak at the next PCC meeting and explain things fully.

The Vicar invited Susie Millard to close the meeting in prayer. He then gave a blessing particularly for the new churchwardens.

The meeting finished at 9.50 pm.