



Pastrow Family

Churches sharing the love, grace and truth of Jesus Christ

Parish of Pastrow

Parochial Church Council Meeting

13th May 2025 7.30 pm

Christ Church Hatherden

Attendance and apologies see sheet at end of minutes.

Minutes	Action
<p>Welcome and Opening Prayer</p> <p>ARB welcomed all those present.</p>	
<p>Late Urgent Items</p> <p>Banns - WB asked about Banns being called as the Parish of Faccombe not Parish of Pastrow.</p> <p>ARB confirmed either way is acceptable.</p> <p>Carols Licensing The Order of Service has gone to Winchester for approval; the choir are singing anthems as people gather and leave. HBT, VDN & Linkenholt are bringing up the parts for the service.</p>	
<p>Minutes</p> <p>Minutes from the 11th March were agreed as correct and signed by ARB</p>	
<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Draft Minutes – RB asked if draft minutes can be circulated to other LCG members. ARB confirmed they can, providing it is made clear they are draft and not approved.</p> <p>Stewardship – various LCG’s have already sent out letters and others have this in hand.</p> <p>Burial Registers – Once opened for 150 years they must be closed and then lodged with the Archives in Winchester, however the registry have said it is acceptable to take photos of the pages for future use.</p>	

<p>All LCG's to confirm what can be spent by each LCG, RB to share what S & E have put in place.</p> <p>Vernham Dean have agreed to come into central accounting; it was confirmed we are still waiting on movement for this.</p> <p>Quinquennials S & E have checked but the architect cannot do until the new year, it was decided this was acceptable and RB will get this booked.</p>	<p>ALL</p> <p>TK/WB</p> <p>RB</p>
<p>Mission and Ministry</p>	
<p>LyCiG</p> <p>FaCT and all family events going well including Pop in & Play.</p> <p>Family Services are in need of review after the summer.</p> <p>Currently our schools are not always village children, so they do not have the connection, due to this we need to think differently. From the Ministry Team point of view, we need to think about how to cover with EG moving on and how we can move family services forward.</p> <p>Easter – Seemed there was a fair offering, which will be tweaked for next year to offer different things.</p> <p>Healing Service – to take place on 29th June.</p>	
<p>Implementation Document.</p>	
<p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p>Work for the Standing Committee and Ministry Team</p>	
<p>The Alpha Course starting in May needs to be pushed and people need to be asked personally to attend.</p> <p>Finance plan is being put together with a plan and timeline, which hopefully will all be in place by November.</p> <p>The Well @ Tangley – a number of events coming up and we need to encourage people to sign up.</p> <p>Walk of Blessing – A prayer walk around the Glebe land with four prayer stations each with an encouragement and a Hannah Dunnet picture. Folding chairs are available in the porch so that you can go and sit as you go around.</p> <p>Policies and Procedures still ongoing.</p>	
<p>FaCT Update</p>	
<p>AE reported that the numbers attending Messy Church were variable, but there was a new family at both the February and March services. The FaCT are going to review Messy Church at the Business Meeting on 15 May as</p>	

<p>holding it every month was a trial to see if enough team members could be found. Also, numbers have been quite low and if the weather is good over the summer that might affect attendance.</p> <p>Play & Praise numbers are more regular but again fluctuate. There were also new families at P&P in February and March.</p> <p>The Youth Group started well, but after two weeks there was only one young person for the next four weeks (a different one each week). The Easter holidays did not help with having a two week break and on Mon 28 April none turned up. There have also been no replies for the planned pizza making event on 5 May, so it has been cancelled. The FaCT will also review the Youth work at the business meeting on 15 May to consider other options.</p> <p>AE had a meeting with Veronica Brewer (Youth Leader) and Kate Seagrave (Temporary Rector) of Andover Parish on Tue 4 Mar to discuss the possibility of running a Ministry Engagement Scheme across Andover. It was agreed this could be a possibility and further investigations with the Diocese were positive. Veronica is trying to arrange a visit to Christ Church Winchester who are running a scheme to get information about their experience of the scheme.</p>	
<p>Fabric and Finance</p>	
<p>Safeguarding</p> <p>There are no safeguarding incidents to report.</p> <p>Following all the emails, people have responded, and this is all moving forward.</p> <p>The Dashboard needs some dates updating and this will then look better.</p>	<p>JA</p>
<p>Treasurers Update</p> <p>Accounts for some have come in but not all. It has been agreed for the future this will be account balance, and a form is in the process of being sorted.</p> <p>Money wise we are still sitting on a knife edge, but stable.</p> <p>A meeting is due with all the treasurers, currently a date has yet to be fixed.</p> <p>WB said we ideally need a Pastrow Treasurer to look at figures so that he could work on spreadsheets but would be happy to help the new person. WB is happy to do LCG level accounts but feels he does not have the qualifications for the PCC now.</p>	<p>ARB/WB</p>
<p>Quinquennials</p> <p>Penton – Complete Facombe – booked for 2026</p>	

<p>Weyhill – complete Smannell & Enham – to be booked for 2026 Vernham Dean & Linkenholt – complete. Hatherden & Tangley – tbc</p>	
<p>Graveyard Applications</p> <p>As parishes have changed, legislation has not always kept up with the implementation of the new way of working within the Church of England.</p> <p>It is correct The Chancellor is the only person who can grant a faculty to reserve a grave space.</p> <p>In the past, ‘gentleman agreements’ have taken place and not always been recorded or remembered as time goes by. Our proposed system is a robust way of recording all that happens in our churches.</p> <p>The current Graveyard Reservation Policy has been tweaked and will now be A Pre-faculty Application and clearly states this is not a legal process but is part of a process.</p> <p>It was asked if all current reservations could be forwarded to the Pastrow administrator so central records could be updated as well.</p> <p>Headstone and Bench Application for Joshua Turtle at Tangley.</p> <p>ARB explained what had happened to reach this point and why the stone proposed had been rejected.</p> <p>Mrs Turtle has formally gone down various avenues and is now appealing to the Chancellor for approval, and it is advised a PCC resolution is included.</p> <p>H & T LCG have met this week and voted to reject the proposal. But have approved the bench proposal on the basis that it is in the sage green only.</p> <p>WB – agreed that there was no need to override the H & T decision, just because decisions may have broken rules in the past there was no need to continue with this.</p> <p>ARB suggested that a small sculpture could sit next to the bench which could incorporate some of the families wishes. Then the bench could also have some engraving. With both being in the glebe land it would not be so restrictive.</p> <p><i>Decision – As a PCC we would reject the headstone but would be happy with a proposal of a sculpture and bench which the LCG & PCC would need to approve at a future date.</i></p>	
<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>APCM – Sunday 1st June following the PFG Service at Hatherden</p>	

PCC Meeting - Tuesday 8th July 7.30 pm Christ Church Hatherden	
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The meeting closed with the Grace.

Signed *Rev. Alex Randle-Bissell*

Dated 8th July 2025

Original signed documents held by PCC Secretary



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PCC Members				Notes/
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				Substitute
Revd Alex Randle-Bissell	ARB	Rector/Chair	✓	
Revd Elliot Grove	EG	Curate	✓	
Sally Brewer	SB	Pastoral Warden	Apologies	
Terry Milne	TM	Administrative Warden	Apologies	
William Belben	WB	Treasurer	✓	
Judith Appleby	JA	Secretary	✓	
Alice Brewer	AB	Charlton LCG	Apologies	William Belben
Harriet Cooper	HC	Penton LCG	✓	
James Cunniffe	JC	Weyhill LCG	Apologies	Judith Appleby
Karen Blakeman	KB	Hatherden & Tangley LCG	Apologies	
Rod Bowker	RB	Smannell & Enham LCG	✓	
Vacant	JJ	HBT LCG	✓	Jane Jones
Vacant	TK	Vernham Dean & Linkenholt LCG	✓	Tammy King
Vacant		Facombe LCG		
Alan Evans	AE	Deanery Synod Rep (co-opted member)	✓	

Non-PCC attendees

Name	Church
Irene Wilson	Enham