



Minutes of the Deanery Synod Meeting
Wednesday 12 July 2023 7pm arrival for 7.30pm meeting
St George's Southall with the option (for those who asked) to attend online

Address of St George's Church, Lancaster Road, Southall, Middlesex, UB1 1NP

<https://www.stgeorgesouthall.org/home.htm>

Attendance: In-person 28 + 7 guests; online 2

Welcome and Worship.

Rev. Christopher Ramsay, vicar of St George's Southall, welcomed the Deanery Synod to St George's and introduced us to the church and its 2030 vision. We were led in two songs.

Business Items

Election of Deanery Synod Officers and Standing Committee members

Lay Chair Jackie Ashmenall (Christ the Saviour) proposed Wei Hei Kipling (St Mary's Ealing), seconded by Margaret Copley (St Barnabas Northolt)

Treasurer Margaret Copley (St Barnabas Northolt) proposed Jackie Ashmenall (Christ the Saviour), seconded Wei Hei Kipling (St Mary's Ealing)

Secretary Wei Hei Kipling (St Mary's Ealing), proposed Margaret Copley (St Barnabas Northolt), seconded Jackie Ashmenall (Christ the Saviour)

There being one candidate for each vacancy, the candidates were elected unopposed.

Clergy rep Fr Valmor Pimenta (St Joseph the Worker) proposed Rev. David Bookless (St Mary's Norwood Green), seconded Rev. David Neno (St Peter's Ealing)

Clergy rep Fr Wilson Masih (Christ the Redeemer Southall), proposed Rev. Karen Greenidge-Silcott (All Hallows North Greenford) seconded Rev. Wilson Gill (Emmanuel Southall)

There being sufficient vacancies, the candidates were elected unopposed.

Lay reps two vacancies – there were no nominations before the meeting or from the floor.

Presentation of Accounts

Margaret Copley, Treasurer, presented the examined accounts for the year ending 28 February 2023. The accounts had been agreed by the Standing Committee and were adopted by Synod.

MC mentioned that she would be standing down from treasurer at the end of this three year term. The role of treasurer involves collecting subscriptions from the churches in the Deanery and attending to the mission funds.

Appointment of the Independent Examiner for year ending 29 Feb 2024

James Barron (St Stephen's Ealing) – proposed Margaret Copley, seconded Rev. David Neno (St Peter's Ealing)

School Governor for Ealing Fields

Emma Buck, proposed Revd. Stu Plumb (St Mellitus) seconded Revd. Sheenagh Burrell (St Paul's Ealing) was elected unopposed.

Mission Bids

The Standing Committee has reviewed the 2023 applications and the following bids were considered. All of the bids were invited to make presentations but not everyone was able attend.

Church Community	Project	Presenter	Amount of grant
The Grove Community Church	Community Grocery	Jane Maffett	£2,000
Christ the Redeemer	TV Screens - to enable a second more charismatic and evangelical service to cater for youth and children as well as to facilitate music in the current Anglo-Catholic service	Fr Wilson Masih	£2,000
St Mary with St Richard Northolt	Love Northolt: Supporting Health and Wellbeing for our Elderly – seated exercise at Memory Café and retirement housing Wimbourne Court	Jane Gee (churchwarden)	£1,800
St Joseph the Worker	Printer project – to enable outreach work in the form of, Evangelism, Publicity and Community Ministry through spreading and sharing the message of the Christian faith.	Garth Willian (churchwarden) – no visual presentation	£2,000
St John's Southall	Women, Art and Wellbeing!	Alma Patterson Church Resource Manager	£1,520
St George's Southall	iSingPOP School Project	Samson Massey (Youth Apprentice)	£1,500
Ascension, Hanger Hill, with West Twyford, St Mary	Parish publicity especially to new or hard to access housing	Revd. Simon Reed	£2,000
St Martin's West Acton	Ukrainian Community Café – extension of activities	Apologies given	£1,800
St Martin's West Acton	Church Signage	Apologies given	£962
St Mary's Hanwell	Digital Mission/Ministry Co-ordinator – pilot scheme for development of digital ministry	Apologies given	£2,000

The Ascension, Hanger Hill, with West Twyford, St Mary havd applied for funding for the same project as in 2022. Mission Fund criteria (no. 5) specifically states:

“Only in exceptional circumstances would one project be allowed to apply for funding in two successive years.”

This point was addressed in the presentation and Synod indicated their approval that there were exceptional circumstances allowing a grant to be awarded for a second successive year.

Synod also approved in block grants of the agreed sums for the other projects listed.

Notices and Next meeting(s)

- Saturday 15 July “Grief Opera” at St Mary’s Ealing – details in chapter mailing
- Saturday 15 July – new mission zone in Southall / Hounslow
 - Morning street evangelism
 - Afternoon engaging with shoppers
 - 4pm celebration
 - Evening youth celebration
- Monday 16 October (during Black History Month) – the first of a new series of pilgrimages with Bishop Lusa in coming year 2023-24 on the themes of the Diocesan Vision 2030
- Thursday 19 October 2023 - Diocesan Vision Road Show with Bishop Lusa,

Prayer and Finish

The meeting closed with the grace at 8.35pm.