## **ECCLESIASTICAL ASSEMBLY**

An Assembly of the Principals and Electors of the Parish of Trinity was duly convened and held in the Parish Hall on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30 pm for the following business:

- 1. Pass the Accounts of the Churchwardens for the Financial Years 2019 2020 and 2020 2021.
- 2. Elect the Officers of the Church for 2020 2021.
- 3. Name a Committee to examine the Churchwardens Accounts for the Financial Year 2021 2022.
- 4. Consider and, if agreed, authorise the Rector to seek permission for:
  - a) Wall mounted hand rails at the Chancel step.
  - b) The refurbishment of the existing pulpit.

The Rector welcomed the Assembly and opened the meeting with prayers. Apologies were received from Connétable P B Le Sueur, Procureurs P R Williams and J H Moulin, Centeniers S W Gallichan and J Howell, Constable's Officer C Bray, Mr M Powell, Mr C Chaplin and Mr P Colback.

A written note of apology from the Connétable, sent on behalf of himself and the Procureurs, was read to the Assembly by the Rector.

The Rector advised the Assembly that as no Assembly was convened in 2020 because of the Covid pandemic, two years of accounts would be presented to it.

The Minutes of the previous Ecclesiastical Assembly held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were read and adopted on the proposition of Mrs A Le Sueur and seconded by Mrs A Howell.

1. The Churchwardens, Miss A Le Brun and Mrs J Dawson, outlined the income and expenditure for the Trésor, Charité, Extraordinaire and Le Don de Dlle Chevalier accounts and on the proposition of Mrs J Cadin and seconded by Mrs A Le Sueur, the recommendation by the Special Committee to the Assembly was duly adopted and the Accounts taken as read and agreed to unanimously. The Rector expressed his thanks to Aynslie Le Brun and Jo Dawson for their assistance throughout the year and also to the Connétable and Procureurs. The Rector then raised with the Assembly the difficulty faced by the Church in finding purposes within the Parish in respect of which the charitable funds could be used appropriately, and encouraged the members of the Assembly to approach him with any suggestions they may have in the future, which will be treated discreetly.

2. Before asking for nominations for officers of the Church for 2021 - 2022, the Rector thanked the Churchwardens and Almoners for their invaluable assistance over the past two years. He then presented Mrs A Howell with a bouquet as she was retiring from the position of Almoner after many years of service to the Parish Church.

On the proposition of Deputy C H Raymond, and seconded by Centenier D Owen, Miss A C Le Brun and Mrs J Dawson were re-elected as Churchwardens. On the proposition of Mrs A Howell, who thanked Mr A Paine for his work as an Almoner with her over the past two years, and seconded by Mrs F Houghton, Mr A Paine was re-elected and Mr M Powell elected as Almoners by unanimous vote. The newly elected officers were warned to attend the Ecclesiastical Assembly in the Royal Court on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 10.00 am.

3. On the proposition of Mrs F Houghton and seconded by Mrs A Howell, the adjoints of Special Committee were unanimously re-elected 'en bloc' to examine the Churchwardens Accounts for the year 2021 – 2022, and the Special Committee will be constituted as follows:

Rector Reverend G J Houghton

Connétable P B Le Sueur

Procureurs P R Williams and J H Moulin

Centeniers S W Gallichan, J Howell, O Simmons and D Owen

Almoners Mr A Paine and Mr M Powell

Adjoints Deputy C H Raymond, Mrs R Misson, Mrs M Pittom, Mrs J Powell

and Mr C Chaplin

4. The Rector explained to the Assembly that two items of work needed to be done in the area of the chancel step, the costs of which would be covered by the Church, not the Parish. Documents showing the plans for both had been provided to the members in attendance.

The first was the installation of hand rails on both sides, which would greatly assist some of the members of the congregation who currently experienced difficulty when negotiating the step. Because of the nature of the work to be done in respect of the installation, a faculty would be required.

The proposed installation was welcomed by the Assembly. The Rector seeking a faculty for this was proposed by Mrs J Cadin, seconded by Mrs J Powell, and passed by unanimous vote.

The second was the renovation of the pulpit so that its steps no longer curved outwards but ran straight down instead. A Dean's licence was required because of the nature of the work. On the proposition of Centenier D Owen and seconded by Mrs J Powell, with all in favour, the Rector was authorised to seek a Dean's licence.

Before closing the meeting, the Rector thanked the Connétable and Procureurs for their support during the past year and also the Parish Office staff and JP and Adam. He asked Centeniers Simmons and Owen to pass on his thanks to all members of the Honorary Police for their support with funerals and weddings throughout the year.

There being no further business, the Rector thanked everyone fwith Grace.	or attending and closed the meeting
The meeting finished at 8.20pm.	
Signed 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	G Houghton
	Rector