

THE ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND PAUL LAVENHAM

Minutes of the 70th Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 6th July 2025 in Lavenham Village Hall at 12 noon.

PRESENT:- 50 Friends were in attendance together with 6 guests.

WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Bishop Tim Stevens commended the meeting to God in prayer.

Chairman, Malcolm Linscott, welcomed everyone to the meeting

He gave a special welcome to the members who were attending for the first time.

APOLOGIES

The secretary advised that 35 apologies had been received and recorded.

MINUTES of the 69th AGM held on the 5th JULY 2024

It was proposed by Jane Gosling and seconded by Rosemary Wheeler and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the 69th AGM be signed as a true record of the meeting.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

Chairman's report.

The chairman's report is attached to the secretary's record.

Hon. Treasurer's report

The Hon. Treasurer's, together with the accounts to 31st December 2024 is attached to the secretary's record. It was proposed and agreed unanimously that the accounts for the year ending December 2024 be adopted.

Appointment of Independent Examiner.

It was proposed and agreed unanimously that Steven Coward be appointed as Independent Examiner for the 2025 financial year.

Election of Officers and committee

As there were no other nominees, it was proposed and agreed that Ian Thompson would be treasurer for the following year (although, as he has now moved from Lavenham, he feels this should be his last year as treasurer) and Julian Baldwin be secretary.

As there were no other nominees the following were elected on block to the Friend's Committee:-

Malcolm Linscott, Charles Dinwiddy, Marian Searle, Phil Lilley, Hannah Lombers, and Mary Wolton.

Mary Jackson is the PCC's nominated representative on the committee. The election of the officers was proposed by Clare Lowe and seconded by June Linscott.

and agreed by the members present.

Malcolm pointed out that if no one came forward to fill the post of Treasurer, then the Society would be unable to function.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Malcolm Linscott put two printed copies of details of the planned visit to Ely Cathedral on each table.

DATE of the 71st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on 5th JULY 2026

The meeting concluded at 12-30pm