Notes of the Team Council Meeting
11 July 2024 at 7.30 Team Office

1 **Welcome**

2 Opening prayer led by Simon Chambers

3 Present: Simon Chambers, Liz Bayford, Gill Sowerby, Ruth Livesey, Sarah Bossom, John Hawkins, Sara Atkinson, Heather Lowndes, Michael Barratt, Sharon Grant, Mary Clarke, Alison Larkham, Rachel Funnell (notes)

Apologies :Alan Jewell, Debbie McIsaac, Jane Dunlop

4 Matters Arising
4.1 Update to numbers for Worshipping Community – from West Grimstead
4.2 Pilgrimage Walk update- Alison accepted Robert Eggar's kind offer on behalf of the Team Council. The process has been started, Robert having planned a route visiting all churches, a total of about 22 miles in total. The ministry team are all invited to contribute to reflections which will be used along the way. The Clarendon Churches Pilgrimage is a long term project, eventually to be published on the website.

5 Vacancy Update
5.1 Update The Bishop invited Simon and team to review the advert and profile. Some changes will be made, job title will be Team Vicar and Rural Dean rather than the other way around. The advert particularly will be simplified and made to stand out. Adverts will be in the church times on 30 August and 6 September.
5.2 Review of prayer – Sharon has re-written the Team Prayer which was shared and agreed by all with the addition of "making Jesus known".
Action – RF to print and laminate for each church.

6 Healing and Wholeness Review
Sharon has instigated Healing and Wholeness services in response to requests through groups in Alderbury. This is now a team wide initiative, the dates and locations were shared and agreed. The services will provide a safe and comfortable space for prayer.
Action – all to pray for this initiative going forwards.

7 Team Council regular Subject focus areas
Simon introduced the diocesan vision key area, Rachel led a simple activity to draw out thoughts and identify where previous discussion areas might fit into the vision framework. Results to be discussed at next Team Council meeting
Action RF to complete thematic analysis

8 Service Plans
Huge thanks were expressed to the sub-group who worked together so positively to produce the new service plan. This was accepted by Team Council and will be implemented from September.

The work of the group identified the need for more lay trained individuals in the team, ideally a LWL in each church.
Action SC to ensure new service plan is on the website

9 Safeguarding
Safe and appropriate storage of confidential documents relating to safeguarding was highlighted to the team council. SC suggested that the Team Council resource the storage, utilising an electronic depository, at the approximate cost of £80pa. Simon will be able to create the areas to enable each parish to see their own private area, Simon would have oversight of all of them. Any paperwork would then be scanned and shredded. This is "single central record storage".
Action Team Council members to take this idea back to their PCCs to ensure all – particularly safeguarding officers – are comfortable with it before Simon initiates it.

10 AOB
10.1 Simon put forward the idea of inviting a new curate to the team for Summer 2025. This does have an impact on finance as well as on the team. Team Council all agreed
Action SC to talk to Diocesan Director of Ordinands to progress this.

10.2 Team Council were informed of a candle stubs for Ukraine project. Please look out for more info on Grapevine. Old candle stubs are collected and put to good use and supporting Ukraine.

11 Closing Prayer – led by Simon