Clarendon Team Council Meeting Notes

Wednesday 11 March 1.30pm

In the Team Office

Present: Simon Chambers, Alice Page, Jane Dunlop, Debbie McIsaac, John Hawkins, Debbie Case (notes), Liz Bayford, Sara Atkinson, Sara Bossom, Liz Parsons, Ruth Livesey, Michael Barratt.

1 **Welcome** from Simon,
2 **Opening prayer** led by Simon

3 **Apologies** received from : Alan Jewell, Alison Larkham, Heather Lowndes, Rachel Funnell, Sharon Grant.

4 **Matters Arising**
None

5 Post Vacancy Planning
The licencing service for Rev'd Marcia Wadham takes place on the 22nd March at 3pm, St Marys, Alderbury. Plans are in the final stages and invites will be shared as required.
PCC feedback for service patterns were shared. Suggestion to keep the service pattern as is for April, tweek in a few places but revisit, seeking Marcia's feedback as well in 3-4 months time.

6 Finance
2025 Parish subs to the team were paid in full by all parishes. The 2026 Parish subs have been calculated from the current worshipping count and a third of the 2019 count as we are in the final year of easing in to the post-covid counts. The proposed budget was reviewed, and accepted by all present.

7 Team Council as Legal body
Debbie and Michael will update the Team Council fully at the next meeting.

8 Safeguarding
No Safeguarding matters
Jane queried whether leadership training was required for some roles. This should be in place for certain roles but an agreement was reached on those that did not require leadership training. Changes will be made to the safeguarding hub to take this into account.
A reminder that all policies are reviewed and updated during September TC meetings.

9 Parish feedback
Farley Scaffolding is now up and repairs to the roof are under way. It is anticipated that these will take around 8 weeks to complete. The Listed Places of Workship grant has now ended as funds have now been depleted. Sadly, Farley were too late for any funding through this grant.
Pitton Following a campaign throughout the village, Pitton were able to secure an increase through general local donations. The current PCC treasurer has made the decision to step down.
Whiteparish held a candlemass service, inviting both new and regular workshippers. Pizza/veggie sticks were offered and the event was highly successful. Repairs to the church wall have now been started after a successful claim on insurance. A barrier is to be installed in April with funds provided in equal shares from the church, the local parish council and the village hall.
Winterslow After a highly successful lent lunch, a donation will be made to the Deanery Mission, ECSSSUP. A family gathering is planned for St Johns on Good Friday.

West Dean Finances are looking much better. An inspiring talk is planned for the evening of the 11th March – Life on the Ocean Waves. Sadly, further leaks to the roof have been found with squirrels being the most likely cause.
East Grimstead Save the church were tasked with raising £10,000. They have smashed that target and raised a total of £12,000. Works to the porch will start soon. A big breakfast held at the end of February was very well received and there are 2 new members on the PCC.
West Grimstead reported their family service was well attended but they could do with more PCC members.
Query – are there any guidelines on what is involved in being a PCC member? Could joint PCC services be held to consider any joint issues/share assistance as required?

10 AOB
A query was raised on whether a team risk assessment exists for pastoral visits. The simple answer is no as each visit is to be considered on its own merit those engaged in pastoral visiting should be aware of risks but there is no need to complete a risk assessment for each visit.

11 Closing prayer – said by Simon, followed by the grace.

Next meeting	Tuesday 12th May 2026 at Whaddon 7:30pm
Team Council meetings	Thursday 16th July 2026 at Team Office 7:30pm
	Wednesday 9th September 2026 at Whaddon 7:30pm
	Tuesday 10th November 2026 at Team Office 1:30pm
	Thursday 14th January 2027 at Whaddon 1:30pm
Joint PCC Meetings	
	Tuesday 29th September 2026 Via Zoom 7:30pm

Please plan PCC meetings around these dates to enable appropriate information sharing.