



CROMER PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a meeting of the Parochial Church Council
held on Thursday 25th September 2025 at 7.30pm at St Martin's**

Members present: Revd Will Warren (Chair), David Anderson, Judith Anderson, Jill Boyle, Anna Coghlan, Anne Cottingham, John Hodgkinson, Christopher Jacquier, Ivan Kimble, David Loades, Hazel Mardlin, Jon Mardlin, Sarah McCandlish, David Orsborne, Simon Purslow and Doug Tuthill.

P2509-01 Opening prayer and worship, Bible study and prayer

SP led a time of sung worship and WW led a reflection on Ephesians 4 focusing on two key themes: unity (v1-5) and community (v7,11-12). He noted that these two are closely linked in the life of the church, and both offer a challenge and an opportunity.

This was followed by a short time of prayer.

P2509-02 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Tracy Johnson and Eileen Woodfield.

P2509-03 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

P2509-04 Chair's briefing

WW thanked all those who stepped up and took on extra duties during his sabbatical. The launch of the building project, 'Renew, Renovate, Reinvest' had gone well. Some helpful comments and reflections had been received, and the overall feel was very positive. WW thanked everyone who had worked to get the project to this point, and everyone who had attended the sessions on Saturday and Sunday.

P2509-05 Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 26th June 2025

The minutes were **AGREED** to be an accurate record of that meeting and were signed by the Chair. There were no Matters Arising.

P2509-06 Minutes of Standing and Finance Committee

Minutes of the meetings held on 14th August and 11th September were **RECEIVED**. There were no Matters Arising.

P2509-07 Updates

P2506-08 - Glass Doors for the Parish Church - Work to complete the inner set of doors will take place in week beginning Monday 29th September and should be completed within that week. The Parish Church will be closed Monday-Wednesday.

P2506-10 - Carnival Float - The theme for the float had worked well. A good number of people were involved in the preparation and on Carnival Day. The float had won 'Best in Class'. PCC thanked Phil, the rest of the Broughton family and everyone who supported or took part this year.

S2508-11 - Blinds for St Martin's - Standing and Finance Committee approved this expenditure over the summer and, under this item, this was duly reported to PCC. The

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St Martin's congregation were involved in choosing the colour, and the blinds have been ordered. We're waiting to hear about an installation date.

S2509-08 - Parish Church Lighting - The control system was damaged by water ingress during a storm on 25th July. Standing and Finance Committee approved the expenditure on repairs and remedial action over the summer and, under this item, this was duly reported to PCC. Works to complete the repairs on the control system and to build a waterproof cabinet to prevent the problem arising in the future takes place in the week beginning Monday 29th September and should be completed within that week.

P2509-08 **CONFIDENTIAL MINUTE**

P2509-09 **Building Project launch**

This item had been covered in the Chair's Briefing. (See Minute S2509-04, above.)

P2509-10 **Reports**

The Safeguarding Report was **RECEIVED**.

The Health and Safety Report was **RECEIVED**.

The Electoral Roll Report was **RECEIVED**. The Roll currently stands at 247.

The notes from the FLT (Fabric) meeting on 15th September were **RECEIVED**.

The report from Caroline Herbert on the July Sessions of General Synod was **NOTED**.

P2509-11 **Finance**

The Treasurer (DT) presented his reports for August and September, which are attached as addenda to these minutes.

Repairs to the commercial freezer in the kitchen at a cost of £634.95+VAT were **AGREED unanimously**

Mission Partner donations have now been paid.

Members **AGREED unanimously** that the Parish Church lounge be made available between 9.00 and 3.30 daily as a Warm Space once the building reopens after 1st October.

ACTION: IK

PCC thanked the Treasurer for his work.

P2509-12 **Follow-up to Andy Bagwell's Report**

PCC **AGREED** to hold an Awayday on the morning of Saturday 18th October at The Pleasaunce. WW will send the report to members.

ACTION: WW, DL, IK

P2509-13 **Correspondence**

Kintsugi Hope - The request from Mary Pallister and Sue Brocklehurst to relaunch this group was **APPROVED unanimously**. The treasurer will liaise with Mary about the minimum donation of £360 required to access the training materials.

ACTION: DT

Safeguarding Sunday - WW has registered and has received the resources. He will work out how to build this in the services on 16th November.

ACTION: WW

Christian Movie afternoons at St Martin's - The proposal from Rachel Stirland to run a bi-monthly Christian film afternoon was **APPROVED**, although members expressed concern about the suitability of some of the films suggested for an event at which children would be present. WW will follow this up with Rachel.

ACTION: WW

Changes to the bell-ringers fees for ringing before and after weddings were **NOTED**.

P2509-14 **Looking ahead**

Proposed arrangements for the selection of new Mission Partners to replace CAP and Hope into Action were **NOTED**.

ACTION: DO

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Lesley has produced an outline of all the Christmas services and events. WW will be discussing with the wider ministry team how we can best cover everything and spread the load.

ACTION: LL, WW

P2509-25 Review of the meeting

Good timekeeping and having refreshments available were noted as positives.

The meeting closed with The Grace at 8.55 p.m.