

General Meeting of The Village Metropolitan Community Church Brighton.

December 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 at The Somerset Day Centre, Kemptown, Brighton.

## AGENDA

- 1: Opening Prayer
- 2: Voice rights for non members.
- 3: Apologies
- 4: Acceptance of minutes from last year's AGM.
- 5 Nomination and voting for board members.
- 6: Acceptance of Annual Report (including accounts)
- 7: Acceptance of proposed Budget
- 8: Voting results for board members.
- 9: Close in Prayer



## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of The Village Metropolitan Community Church. December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018 at The Somerset Day Centre, Kemptown, Brighton

**Members in attendance:** Sarah Barber, Wendy Burgess, keith Fish, Simon Markham, Peta Evans, Stephen Crowther, Charlie Notley, Will Mason, Tony Wares, Robert Douglas, Isla Munro, Rev. Michael Hydes – Apologies from Dameon Ioukas, Philip Queripel, Nigel Utting.

Reverend Peta Opened In Prayer

Voice Rights for Non Members: Proposed Reverend Michael Seconded Sarah Barber. Vote: All in favour.

Apologies:

Minutes of Last Meeting: Proposed Sarah Barber Seconded Reverend Peta 2 Absences. Vote: 8 in favour. 5 abstentions (were not present at the last AGM)

Nomination of Board Members: Keith Fish nominated for Treasurer. Nominated by Rev. Michael, Seconded by Wendy Burgess

Change to Constitution: Reverend Michael began by thanking Keith and Sarah for all their hard work in doing it. Reverend Michael asked if there was any questions about it. Tony asked why the changes were needed. Keith said that, among many things, as a charity we can claim tax back. And by having a diverse constitution it will cover any future development.

Proposed: Charlie Seconded: Wendy Vote: All in favour.

Acceptance of Reports: Reports from Reverend Michael, Reverend Peta, Keith and Dameon were discussed.

Proposed: Tony Seconded: Robert Vote: All in favour.

Acceptance of Accounts: Reverend Michael thanked Keith for his work on them and making them easy to understand. Robert asked about the Sleepsafe, Rev Michael said that Mary had taken on the project. Reverend Michael said we have the Pickle Fund, but it needs to be used better. A rethink is needed in the New Year, Stephen suggested asking Lloyd if he knew of anyone who could benefit.

Keith said we are doing fine and has planned with overall funds, trying to keep two months of funds in the account.

Sarah said that both Pastors do a enormous amount of work and do not get paid nearly enough for it. The only way to increase this, is by the growth of the church. Reverend Michael said he was very proud of the way we manage our finances and send our tithe regularly to the denomination.

Proposed: Reverend Michael Seconded: Charlie Vote: All in favour.

Voting in of Board Members: Keith was voted on to the board for another term. Keith did say that this would be his last term as he would like to explore other options. Reverend Michael thanked Keith for all his hard work to date.

Reverend Michael closed in Prayer