

## Summary of Chapter Minutes February 2021

- The Chancellor and Precentor had had very good discussions with the PCC. There was a genuine desire to consider its role and interaction with Chapter. The membership of the PCC does not currently represent all Cathedral services and communities. It was felt important to address this, and perhaps rename the Council, as part of bringing about a change in culture. Chapter had already co-opted a member of the PCC to a Chapter committee, and it was felt that there was merit in extending this. The business of the PCC had been static for too long and clear goals were needed, with task and finish groups as required. The PCC were delighted with the visible progress in the Cathedral, notably in online and cashless giving, and found it motivating. Chapter asked for a proposal for a future meeting.
- The January management accounts were received. These showed a surplus of £1,783 against a budgeted deficit of £3,053, because of higher-than-expected income and lower costs. Giving Direct is about to go fully online with the facility for donors to change their giving, and it was agreed that this should be publicised in due course. The Diocese has notified that 10% of our first quarter parish share will be rebated.
- The audit is planned to start on March 8. Arrangements will need to be made for a meeting to present and approve the accounts before the Charity Commission filing deadline of 31 October.
- Matthew Williams and Nick Lambert have both agreed to sit on the Fabric Committee. Preparations are being made on several fronts for the installation of the Bishop Marshall panel.
- The dead trees are set to be brought down on 23 February at a cost of £6,051. The Friends had recently agreed to fund this. Further discussions are taking place with the Friends on the amounts they have approved and the projects underway.
- The gutters on Prebendal House had been cleared, but the ongoing problem was the accumulation of material on the roof. A further quote of £600 had been received for its removal, which was approved.
- The School had written to ask for the arrangement for the use of the School Hall to be extended until 9 July.
- An additional Sunday afternoon service for Lent will be streamed online, as will a livestreamed service for Ash Wednesday.
- The new Church in Wales Safeguarding Policy Statement and poster was approved. Chapter members need to complete a short online safeguarding course. The Safeguarding Officer is to be invited to the next meeting.