

Chapter minutes summary June 2021

- The Annual General Meeting was held on 8th June with a brief gathering of Chapter and of Greater Chapter beforehand. The AGM is minuted elsewhere.
- The post of Assistant Director of Music had been offered to Aaron Shilson, currently Assistant Director of the Girls Choir at Ely. He will take up the post as of 1 September.
- A positive first meeting of the Llandaff Cathedral Community Council (formerly PCC) had been held following the Annual Vestry Meeting. A number of nominations were received for Chapter committees. Ian MacDonald had been asked to consider a stewardship campaign in the Autumn.
- Rob Lewis has been appointed as Canon Treasurer by Bishop June following the end of Richard Bacon's co-option on 31 May. As a member of the congregation, a neighbour and a PWC partner Rob is an excellent fit for this role.
- Chapter heard the results of the selection process for Chief Executive Officer and Chapter Clerk and approved the appointment, subject to DBS check and references. The appointment to be made public in a press release following these checks. The contract is in process of being drawn up.
- Chapter considered the 'roadmap' for the return of the full worship programme of the Cathedral. This moves by gradual steps over the next few months and if Covid regulations permit, we will be back to a full programme of services in October 2021. In July the Sunday pattern will remain as at present but there will be two mid-week Eucharists: Tuesday (English) and Thursday (Welsh, with grateful thanks to Fr Tim). Mid-week Eucharists will all be at 9.30am (previously 10am Monday-Friday, 9.30 Saturday) to allow more time afterwards for visiting groups and events in the Cathedral. Sunday Choral Evensong will continue at 4pm (formerly 3.30pm) for now, as the 11.15 Eucharist is a later start and the interval allows more time in between for choir families. Choral Evensong will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well as Sundays until the end of term; during the holidays a said Evening Prayer will take place at those times although there will be no mid-week Evening Prayer during August. Most of the visiting choirs have cancelled their bookings but when there is a visiting choir, Choral Evensong will take place.
- A proposal for Choral Scholarships for 'back row' singers will be brought to Chapter for consideration; this will provide continuity and stability for the choir without increasing costs.
- Archdeacon Peggy's retirement at the end of July will create a clerical vacancy on Chapter; a proposal for a suitably experienced cleric was agreed, to be put to Bishop June for her approval and appointment.
- A new floor plaque is requested for the Welsh Regiment Chapel in honour of Major General Napier; a faculty application has been submitted.
- Some regular Parish Hall users are now using Prebendal House instead, as the School's rental arrangement will continue until December.