

Joint Council for “The Benefice of West Sevenoaks Team Ministry”

Membership (18)

Team Rector with special responsibility for St Mary Kippington (Chair)

Team Vicar with special responsibility for St Mary the Virgin,
Riverhead with Dunton Green

Team Vicar with special responsibility for St Luke’s, Sevenoaks
Churchwardens of St Mary, St Mary the Virgin and St Luke’s, Sevenoaks

Three representatives, if possible, from the three churches who hold a diocesan
license as Local Lay Minister, Pastoral Assistant, Reader or PTO.

(One from each church)

Six elected representatives from anyone of the electoral rolls of St Mary
Kippington, St Mary the Virgin, Riverhead with Dunton Green and St Luke’s
Sevenoaks. (Two from each church)

Notes

- 1) Elected representatives would serve a two year term and would serve a one year break before seeking re-election.
- 2) Apart from extraordinary meetings there will be no more than six meetings a year of the Joint Council, which would involve a mixture of physical and on line meetings.
- 3) The Joint Council reserves the right to invite other people to undertake specific tasks in relation to its role.
- 4) The Joint Council will co-opt a Secretary (whose position would be a non-voting/ non-contributory role)
- 5) A Joint Church Council is a body corporate with governing documents that are identical to a PCC. Thus a JCC has a legal identity in its own right and is a charity in the same way that any PCC is also a charity in English law. All members of a JCC are Charity Trustees.
- 6) Now established by all three Annual Parochial Church Meetings the JC and PCC’s will begin a discussion of those functions of a PCC that need to be delegated to the JC to ensure the success of the Team Ministry in its development.
- 7) Both the person proposing and seconding a nomination needs themselves to be on the same electoral roll as the person standing for election.
- 8) The primary function of those standing for election is that of ‘promoting in the benefice of the West Sevenoaks Team Ministry the whole mission of the Church’.

If there are any questions from anyone considering standing then please contact the Team Rector.

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NOMINATION FOR ELECTION TO THE JOINT COUNCIL

Proposer – Name and address

Please record which church you are on the electoral roll of:

Seconder – Name and address

Please record which church you are on the electoral roll of:

We being members on the electoral rolls of this Team Ministry, hereby nominate:
(Name and address and on which electoral roll candidate is on which must be the same as that of which the proposer and seconder is on)

Signature of Proposer (below)

Signature of Seconder (below)

Signature of nominee (below – “I declare that I am communicant of 16 years or over and not disqualified, and that if elected, I consent to serve).

Please note: No person shall be nominated if they are disqualified from serving by the Church Representation Rules (46A and 46B). A person shall be disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or any synod under these rules if the person: is disqualified from being a charity trustee under section 178 of the Charities Act 2011 and the disqualification is not for the time being subject to a waiver by the Charity Commission. Is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006). Has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (unless the person's disqualification under this sub-section has been waived in writing by the bishop of the diocese in question.). Has been so disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbents (Vacation of Benefices) Measure [1977]

Note • In order to confirm that you are eligible to act as a charity trustee, all newly elected PCC members will be required to sign a declaration confirming their eligibility to hold office as a charity trustee eligibility (i.e. non-disqualification under charity law) and will be asked to sign a Fit and Proper Person declaration. By confirming that you are eligible for election, you are confirming that you are able to sign these declarations and agree to the requirements under safeguarding as set out below.

Safeguarding: All PCC members as charity trustees and part of a church's governing body overseeing children and young people' ministry; and ministry related to vulnerable adults must have a standard DBS check which is paid for by the diocese; and, as well, complete C0 and C1 basic training in safeguarding which provides an overview to the importance of safeguarding in the local church.