

ST MARGARET CHURCH, ADDINGTON
Minutes of Parochial Church Council Meeting
Dated Tuesday 2nd September 2025
7.30pm in Church Room

**ACTION
BY**

Graham Halliday-Saddler opened the meeting with prayer and reading from 1 Thessalonians.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Rev Helen Burn, Nicola Budgen
2. **Present:** Graham Halliday-Saddler (Churchwarden), John Humphrey (Churchwarden/
Treasurer), Brenda Humphrey (Secretary), Tony Chapman, John Dudley, Rita Drayson, Judy
Grimes, Sally Goodman, Christine Halliday-Saddler, Laraine Jalili-Hodges.
3. **Minutes of Meeting** dated 15th July 2025 (copies circulated) were amended and agreed.
(The amendment was item 9 Churchwardens' Report should read 'East Wall'.
4. **Matters Arising:**
Daylight PCC Meetings: It was agreed that these would be on a Thursdays at 2pm.
5. **Vision & Value**
This to go on the next Agenda when Rev. Helen Burn is present.
6. **Home:**
Living in Love and Faith—PCC were reminded that this will start on Tuesday 9th September and
run for 5 weeks in Ryarsh Church Hall at 7.30pm.
MacMillan Coffee Morning Sunday 28th September in the Village Hall. It was proposed by
Laraine Jallili-Hodges **that we should encourage the congregation to support this event by
having refreshments after the 10am service at the Village Hall.** This was seconded by John
Dudley and agreed with 9 votes for and 1 abstention.
Communion Bread and Wine—it was agreed that we should get the congregation's opinion on
whether to reinstate the Bread (gluten free) and Wine at Communion or stay with the existing
method of intinction but using gluten free bread which is crumb-free . The Churchwardens
agreed to communicate with the congregation.
Invitation to Confession—The Secretary distributed copies of an Iona version of Invitation to
Confession and explained that she had spoken to Helen about this who had used this in
informal services but was not sure about using it in formal Communion Services.
Harvest Service—The PCC agreed that the produce should go to Kenward and the collection
which we have agreed to double up should go to Pilsden. John Humphrey confirmed that there
will be a speaker attending from Kenward.
Judy Grimes asked if we should contact the Montessori School who last year came to the
church and left their gifts. Judy agreed to speak to Helen about this.
7. **Safeguarding:** No report.
8. **Finance:**
Team Treasurer's Report (copy circulated). No discussion.
Treasurer's Report (copy circulated) was accepted.

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9. **Church Wardens' Report** (copy circulated)

East Wall Repointing—John Humphrey received the report from the Architect and suggested that the works could cost in the region of £27,000, including VAT and fees. We need to get the project agreed by the diocese. John Humphrey proposed **that the PCC appoint the Architect, Paul Sharrock of Thomas Ford and Partners, to obtain diocesan approval and quotations for the rendering works to the exterior of the East Wall of the church.** This was seconded by John Dudley and agreed unanimously.

Churchyard—We received a report from Badgers Gon stating that there is no sign of recent badger activity, that we can fill the holes and we should inspect the area regularly.

10. **Any Other Business:**

Vestry—It was agreed that the vestry needs tidying. It was confirmed that we only need to keep the accounts for 7 years.

11. **Date of next Meeting: DAYLIGHT MEETING** Thursday 23rd October 2025, 2.00pm in the Church Room.

There was no further business and the meeting closed at 8.55pm.