

DIOCESE OF EXETER

Parish of Axmouth in the Deanery of Honiton

NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) will be held at St Michael's Church, Axmouth on 25th April 2024 at 7pm

for the election of Parochial representatives of the laity –

- to the Deanery Synod
- to the Parochial Church Council

for the appointment of Sidesmen (welcomers)

and the Independent Examiner or Auditor

and for the consideration of:

- (a) a Report on the new Parochial Electoral Roll
- (b) a Report on the proceedings of the parochial church council and the activities of the parish generally;
- (c) the Financial Statements of the Council for the year ending on the 31st December immediately preceding the meeting audited or independently examined;
- (d) a Report upon the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church or churches of the parish;
- (e) a Report on the proceedings of the Deanery Synod;
- (f) and other matters of parochial or general interest.

Notes

I. All persons whose names are entered upon the Church Electoral Roll of the parish (and such persons only) are entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.

2. Subject to the provisions of Church Representation Rule 14(3)(c), people are qualified to be elected a parochial representative of the laity if –

(a) their name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish and unless he is under the age of eighteen years at the date of the election, has been so entered for at least the preceding period of six months;

(b) they are an actual communicant, which means that they have received Communion according to the use of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England at least three times during the twelve months preceding the date of the election;

(c) they are of sixteen years or upwards and

(d) they are not disqualified as referred to in paragraph 3 of these Notes.

3. (a) A person shall be disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected from serving as a churchwarden, 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 72(1) of the Charities Act 1993 and the disqualification is not for the time being subject to a general waiver by the Charity Commissioners under subsection (4) of that section or to a waiver by them under that subsection in respect of all ecclesiastical charities established for purposes relating to the parish concerned.

In this paragraph 'ecclesiastical charity' has the same meaning as that assigned to that expression in the Local Government Act 1894;

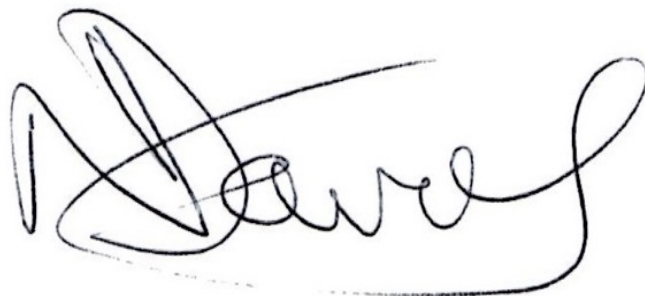
Likewise, a person shall be disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected from serving as a churchwarden, a secretary or treasurer of a parochial church council, or a

member of a parochial church council, a district church council or any synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006) or has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule I to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933.

(b) A person shall also be disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected from serving as a churchwarden or member of a parochial church council if the person has been so disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefice) Measure 1997.

4. Any person whose name is on the electoral roll may be appointed as a sidesman (welcomer).

5. **A resolution is in operation in this parish which provides that any person entitled to vote in the elections of parochial representatives of the laity to the parochial church council or to the deanery synod or to both that council and that synod may make application on the appropriate form to the undersigned, or to the churchwarden, for a postal vote. The completed form must be received before the commencement of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dawson', written in a cursive style.

Signed

†Vicar