MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF

ST ANDREW'S BRIGHTON

DATE	22 November 2026 at 11.30am	
VENUE	St Andrew's Church Brighton	
PRESENT	Andrew Bottomley Sue Brown Mulan Cai Hai Chun Chen Dale Dobson Nina Fu Peter Gray Mike Hanneberry Keith Jones Fang Li Brighton Liu Lixia Long Kaye McNaught Gay Meggitt David Ogilvy Liam Price Alan Roberts Heather Sanderson Michael Talbot Jill Timms Vivian Wang Xuejun Wu Johnson Xu Miao Yu Jia Ru Zhang Minfu Zhou	Calvin Bowman Liz Bulfin Betty Carlyle Wendy Davis Angela Edwards Maya Gao Robyn Greenhalgh Jonathan Hough Suzie Leary Leo Li Vicky Liu Paul Lovell Rosemary Meagher Hugh Megitt Mary Ogilvy Di'arne Revelle Ian Russell Scott Shi Trudy Talbot Robert Timms Ken Whelan Arnold Xu Helen Yao Cathy Zhang James Zhao
APOLOGIES	Ken Pearce Alastair Hicks Prue Hodgson Stephanie Wallace Val Comport	Elizabeth Pearce Margaret Jolly Kerrie Reith Helen Lovell Brian Comport
IN ATTENDANCE	The Reverend Xeverie Swee De-Leon, Alex De-Leon	
CHAIR	The Reverend Ian Morrison (Vicar)	
SECRETARY	The Vicar	

Item	Topic
	Opening, Attendance & Minutes
1.	**Welcome and opening prayer** The meeting opened with prayer.
2.	**Attendance list, apologies & Returning Officers** Apologies were accepted from those noted above. The Returning Officers for the election of office bearers were Johnson Xu & Kaye McNaught.
3.	**Reception of the Parish Electoral Roll** The Vicar tabled a copy of the Parish Electoral Roll with 126 parishioners recorded on it.

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4.	**Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting** **Motion** That the minutes of the last Annual Meeting on 22 November 2025. be confirmed. **Carried**
5.	**Matters arising** – *to be referred to the Parish Council.* Nil.
6.	**Clergy Reports & Report on the Parish Registers** The Vicar's report and a report from the Assistant Priest were tabled. The Vicar spoke to his report, noting: • Leasing documents and Supreme Court application by BGS • The Greening Project • Safe Ministry • Choir • Mission Action Plan 2026-29
7.	**Parish Council Report** The Parish Council report was tabled.
8.	**Churchwardens' Report** The Churchwardens' Report was tabled.
10.	**Financial Statements** The Vicar tabled: • the signed accounts for the year ending 30 September 2026, audited by Stannards; • the Treasurer's report on the financial position of the parish, and • a profit & loss statement (on a cash basis) and budget 2026-2029. He then spoke to the results shown in that statement. **Motion:** THAT the audited accounts for the year ending 30 September 2026 be received and adopted. **Carried.**
11.	**Budget for 2026-27** The Vicar presented the Churchwarden's budget for the year commencing 1 October 2027 as approved for presentation by the Parish Council. He pointed to a projected surplus for the year of $77,433. It was noted that the Parish were aiming to maintain direct giving at $150,000.
12.	**Reports of other Parish groups** The reports from other Parish groups were tabled.
	Elections & Appointments
13.	**Churchwardens** The Vicar advised that 2 nominations had been received for the 2 elected positions as Churchwardens and the following were **declared elected**: Ken Whelan and James Zhao The Vicar further advised that he had appointed Jean Hawkins as a Churchwarden.
14.	**Parish Council** The Vicar advised that as 6 nominations had been received for the 4 elected positions as members of Parish Council, an election would be held. As a result of that election, the following people would comprise the Parish Council (with the Churchwardens):

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	Wendy Davis Corey East-Bryans Mike Hanneberry Cathy Zhang The Vicar advised that he had appointed Vicky Liu and to Parish Council.
15.	**Parish Nominators** The Vicar advised that as a result of the nominations received, an election would be held for the positions of 2 elected positions (male & female) as Parish Nominators and 2 reserves. As a result of that election, the Parish Nominators would be: Arnold Xu and Mary Ogilvy Reserve Parish Nominators: Alan Roberts and Kerrie Reith The Churchwardens advised that their nominee to that committee would be Ken Whelan.
16.	**Auditor** The Treasurer advised that Stannards had agreed to audit the current year's accounts. **Motion:** That Stannards be appointed auditor for 2026-27 accounts. **Carried**
	Other matters of parochial or general church business
	• Vicar's Report to be amended • Electronic sign to be updated regularly • Although the Vicarage Garden will be partly re-landscaped as part of The Greening Project, the Wardens to consider a Working Bee in the meantime.
	Closure The meeting closed at 1.10pm.
	Confirmation Signed as a true and correct record

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