

**The Annual Parish Meetings to be held at
All Saints Church, Shillington on Sunday 17th May 2026**

The Meeting of Parishioners

1. Present

Rev. Jenna Dearden

Trish Humphreys

Tim Theaker

Maggie Theaker

John Coles

Tim Watson

Shirley McGrath

Di Whitely

Pauline Aldridge

Howard Dobson

Liz Brewer

Dick Brewer

Katie Brettel

Emma Stevenson

Andy Gibbs

Linda Butler

Clive Butler

Helen Smith

Ian Moss

Julia Moss

Apologies;

Peter Farmer

Liz Allan

Paul and Ros Taylor

Rev Jenna opened with a prayer

2. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2025; minutes approved as an accurate account of the meeting.
3. Matters arising from the minutes; there were no matters arising
4. Election of two Church Wardens for the year 2026 – 2027

Liz Brewer and Ian Moss agreed to stand again as Church Wardens.

Liz Brewer was proposed by Annie Palmer and seconded by John Catton.

Ian Moss was proposed by Linda Butler and seconded by Clive Butler.
There were no objections and Liz Brewer and Ian Moss were duly re-elected as Church Wardens.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Present and apologies as above
2. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on 11th May 2025. Minutes were approved as an accurate account of the meeting.
3. Matters arising from the minutes; there were no matters arising.
4. Presentation of the Electoral Roll and appointment of Electoral Roll Officer
Linda Butler confirmed there has been no change in the electoral roll this year. Linda is happy to continue in this role which was proposed by Maggie Theaker and seconded by Helen Smith. There were no objections and Linda Butler was re-appointed as Electoral Roll Officer.
5. Chairperson's Report
Rev. Jenna discussed our 'strap line' and how All Saints church seeks to serve the community and be connected to all. She thanked all who currently undertake the tasks required to keep the church running. She mentioned especially John Coles for his commitment and stoic service in his various roles.
6. Treasurer's Report on the financial affairs of the Parish.
Helen gave a brief but succinct account of her thorough reports and Jenna gave her a 'huge' thank you for her commitment and hard work. She also thanked everyone for their generous giving, highlighting the enormous cost of running a church like All Saints' Shillington.
7. Appointment of Independent Examiner to the PCC; Jackie Smith has previously and has agreed to continue to audit our accounts. She was proposed by Helen Smith and seconded by Linda Butler so, as there were no objections, she will continue to be our Independent Examiner.
8. PCC Secretary's Report.
Trish Humphreys had previously announced her intention to step down as PCC secretary; so far, we don't have an offer of a replacement, and we look forward to receiving applications to this role.
9. Churchwardens' Report.
There were no questions arriving from the report and Ian Moss gave special thanks for Dick Brewer's continued support even though he had stepped down from the role last year. Jenna thanked them both as well as Liz Brewer.
10. Parish Safeguarding Officer's Report
Trish Humphreys expressed her pleasure at how the culture within the Parish has developed to reflect the caring and loving nature of the people of All Saints church and the community of Shillington and Gravenhurst. She expressed thanks to Rev. Jenna for her support in the ongoing progress of compliance with the House of Bishops Safeguarding Policy which is currently 100%.
11. Reports on church activities

- Friends and Fabric

Fabric report received but Peter Farmer was not able to attending today's meeting.

Andy Gibbs, chairman of the Friends of All Saints' church, spoke about the fund raising for the South Aisle roof which may need to be prioritised over other projects. Having said that, he assured us that smaller projects will be given attention. The lantern will be returned in a couple of weeks having been painted and repaired. There is also some decorating to do and there has been funding pledged and grants given for smaller projects such as this. Andy spoke about his lectures about local issues that would be beginning this week as well as a murder mystery event with professional actors as potentially good fund raisers. Andy enjoys his role and thanks the community for the opportunity.

There were no questions raised.

- Churchyard; Liz Allan was not able to be present however, there were no questions regarding her report and Rev. Jenna thanked everyone for the work and commitment to maintaining the churchyard and encouraged others to join in.
- Bells; Leader of the bell ringing team, Emma Lodge, was not able to attend today's meeting, however, there were no questions regarding her report. It is encouraging that we have such a growing band of ringers who will ring at the various weddings planned this year.

12. Election of PCC members

(Election of six members of the Parochial Church Council. Note: The Churchwardens and Deanery Synod Representative(s) are ex-officio members of the PCC)

Election of Deanery Synod Representatives;

Liz Allan and Peter Farmer have expressed their willingness to continue as deanery synod representatives for a further 3 years.

Liz Allan was proposed by Liz Brewer and seconded by Dick Brewer. There were no objections to this appointment.

Peter Farmer was proposed by Clive Butler and seconded by Linda Butler. There were no objections to this appointment.

Thus, Liz Allan and Peter Farmer were duly elected as Deanery Synod representatives and ex-officio members of the PCC.

Election of PCC members;

Tim Theaker was proposed by Helen Smith and seconded Clive Butler. All in favour.

Helen Smith was proposed by Linda Buter and seconded by Fiona Howarth. All in favour

Dick Brewer was proposed by Shirley McGrath and seconded by Liz Carboni. All in favour

Rev. Jenna advised we have 3 vacancies for our PCC and invited anyone to

consider volunteering for this role.

13. Any other business; Jenna thanked everyone for attending today's meeting. There was no other business discussed.
14. Looking ahead to 2026; Rev. Jenna remarked that the PCC have worked hard and discussed some of her report, highlighting how the activities of All Saints Shillington and Gravenhurst are about sharing God's love.

The meeting ended at 10:30 am.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jenna', with a stylized, wavy line extending from the end.

15.07.2026