**Report of the 39th Annual General Meeting of the Parish of ST.MARKS CHURCH (VERSAILLES) at 31 rue du Pont Colbert, 78000 Versailles, 14th April 2019**

This report provides an English complement to the formal reports (in French) of the Associations **ST.MARKS CHURCH (Versailles) ASSOCIATION (1905) and St Mark’s Cultural (Versailles) Association (1901)** For the precise resolutions passed see those reports.

# Chairman and secretary of the meeting

The meeting was convened by the PCC secretary Paul Simmons who proposed Rev. Dale Hanson chair the meeting. This was seconded by Pamela Brecknell and agreed unanimously. The chairman then proposed that Paul Simmons act as secretary to the meeting which was also agreed unanimously.

# Agenda

The agenda for the meeting consisted of the following parts :

## EGM Church association

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## Brief meeting of the new Church association council

## EGM Cultural association

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These meetings are reported separately. Below is an account in English of the main points.

# Documents submitted to the meeting

## Documents posted up on the main doors for the three mornings preceeding the AGM

### Electoral roll

### Convocation and Agenda for 1905 EGM

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## Documents available on website and a few copies in paper to the meeting. All documents in English except where otherwise stated.

### Minutes of the 38th AGM (both associations, in English)

### 2019 Electoral Roll Report

### Church (1905) statutes amendment 2019

### Cultural (1901) statutes amendment 2019

### Chaplain’s Report AGM 2019

### Wardens’ Report 2019

### Council Report AGM 2019

### Galaxies Report 2019

### Youth Report 2019

### St Paul’s Report 2019

### Oriental Home Group Report for AGM 2019

### Saint Quentin housegroup report for AGM 2019

### Versailles Homegroup Report 2019

### Archdeaconry Synod report for AGM 2019

### Missions Report 2019

### Operation Stephen report 2019

### Fair Trade Report 2019

### Church Association (1905) Accounts 2018

### Church Association (1905) Financial Report for AGM2019

### Cultural Association (1901) Accounts 2018

### Cultural Association (1901) Financial Report for AGM2019

# Presentation of the Electoral Roll

Maggie Simmons presented the electoral roll, containing 79 members, which was accepted as correct by the meeting. 37 out of the 79 members were present. (See Electoral Roll: Annexe 1).

# Minutes of last meeting

The English minutes of the last AGM in 2018 were approved with no changes.

# Extraordinary General Meetings

An EGM was held for each association to modify the statutes so that the election of an accounts auditor becomes optional (and is governed by French law).

# Presentation of the annual reports and accounts

## Chaplain’s report

Dale presented his report and noted to all those people who asked him « How long are you staying ? » that he hoped to stay until he retired, in roughly another 4 and a half years.

Alan Kendall asked to note that the congregation (and electoral roll) numbers were down on previous years. Dale replied that we should look at the statistics in the longer term than one year.

## Churchwardens’ report

Geoff Sockett presented the report by the Churchwardens. As well as welcoming Dale, he noted the gratitude we have to our locums this past year, as well as Elaine Labourel and the Bodsworths for many years serving St Mark’s. He also thanked the council and those who had served in the office and various capacities this past year.

## Council Report

Pamela Brecknell asked if the work on separation of the church and house utilities, new meters etc. warranted a gift day. Geoff replied that this work would probably be spread over several years since there was now no great urgency requiring a special gift day.

Paul Simmons asked the church to thank in particular outgoing members of the council Sarah Thorley, Christina Galley, Catherine Fourel, Annick Mortreaux and Dan Roulstone for their work this past year.

## Galaxies Report

Paul thanked the Galaxies team, in particular Catherine Etienne and Robin Vogelzang who had recently started a bulletin for Galaxies parents, and all those who had helped in the special events for children.

## Mission report

Paul noted that the church had supported several organisations this year, both through our tithe (8 organisations) as well as the Diocese of Madagascar, Kenjie in the Phillipines, and our own Operation Stephen.

Aurea Laranang asked if individuals could give to dedicated mission organisations through the church. The chairman replied that this was not possible through the church (1905) association. The mission organisations listed are supported by the cultural association which uses anonymous funds for which tax receipts are not possible.

It was asked if the contribution to the Diocese common fund was made from the cultural association. The answer is no.

## Accounts, rapport de gestion and report by Commissaires de comptes

The treasurer presented these documents. See the relevant association minutes for detail.

The treasurer commented that the major change this past year was that in the middle of the year we stopped paying an administrator and cleaner and started paying for a chaplain.

M. Daure presented his report on the accounts. He commented that it was good to have a reserve for capital maintenance. Paul replied that indeed this had been foreseen, and based on an analysis of previous years, the council had agreed that an amount of ten thousand euros per annum should be set aside for this.

With that note, the accounts were approved and the result carried forward to the following year. The budget was also approved.

## Other reports

The other reports were noted as read, no comments given.

# Election of members of the new council

The old council was given quitus and thanked (see above)

The following candidates were elected to the new council (see also association reports):

Churchwardens

* Geoff Sockett
* Paul Simmons

Lay Council Members

* Joshua Turnil
* Mark Harper
* Sarah Hartley,
* Janet Pham,
* Raymond Raphael
* Christine Milton

The Archdeaconry synod representatives continue from last year’s AGM:

* Marge Pavageau
* Peter Milner

The Rev. Dale Hanson is also member of council by church rules and the association statutes. The ICS secretary general Richard Bromley is also member of the council by statute.

No deputy wardens were elected this year; the organisation of teams for Sunday services has made this unnecessary.

# AOB

No other business raised, the meeting was closed.