St Peter's Church

Minutes of the consultation among members of the Standing Committee during 5-12 October 2023

Members: The Revd Christian Hill (chair), Gill Heard and William Zarrett (church wardens), and David Catchpole (PCC secretary)

Subject: New live streaming capability at St Peter's

While the introduction of live streaming at St. Peter's has been a topic of discussion for some years, the present question is whether the time may be right for installation, not only as a means of attracting new members to our congregation but also to enable us to take St. Peter's to some of our parishioners who are no longer able to attend our services.

CH and WZ (priest in charge and warden respectively) met with API, the firm that supplied our good sound system, and had follow up discussions about the particular needs related to our building and all that we do in it. The outcome is a proposed system that could be run quite simply with no attendant but also be totally flexible when the system is attended, as we gain skill and the ability to present a more polished offering.

The Committee considered detailed data concerning both equipment and installation. Most importantly, the camera would be placed on the third column on the north (lectern) side of the nave and be able to rotate and zoom, covering from the entrance to the dais area and on to the high altar.

The cost of the system would be just over £7,000, to be paid for out of general funds.

Action: The Standing Committee unanimously approved this expenditure and decided to recommend it to members of the PCC, with the request that written responses should be sent to the Secretary by Wednesday, 11 October. A rapid response, if accepted, would, it was hoped, enable us to have the system in place for all our Christmas services.

Outcome: The voting by all PCC members, including members of the Standing Committee, was as follows:

In favour:	12 votes
Against:	1 vote
Abstention:	1 vote.

It was therefore agreed to proceed.

Signed:	[CH]
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Date: [13 October 2023]