APCMs and Elections in 2020

A number of people have been asking about the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the Annual Parochial Church Meeting and the election of officers.

It is obvious that many parishes will not have the chance to hold their APCM before the deadline of 31st May. In line with national church guidance, therefore, Bishop Martyn has determined that the deadline for the holding of APCMs has been extended to 31st October 2020. That being the case, the terms of office of existing churchwardens, Deanery Synod reps and PCC members has also been extended.

The extension of existing terms of office applies even in those parishes where the APCM has already been held. Those who have been elected will take up their posts in accordance with the new timetable.

Existing office holders are, of course, able to resign. Any vacancies thus created are treated as casual vacancies.

For more information or advice contact the <u>Registrar</u> or <u>Andy Brockbank</u>, both of whom are available as normal by email.