

committees and working parties may also be chaired/led by church members other than those serving on the PCC.

Some of the more detailed PCC work is carried out through these committees, and they report back to PCC who then accept or reject recommendations of the committees (and other working parties set up from time to time by the PCC).

What do the Churchwardens do?

A Churchwarden is a lay official in an Anglican parish. Churchwardens have a duty to represent the laity and work in close partnership with the Rector. They are expected to lead the parishioners by setting a good example and by modeling and encouraging unity and cooperation.

Churchwardens are legally responsible for all the property and movable goods belonging to a parish church. They have a duty under ecclesiastical law to keep an up to date *terrier* (written record) of the property and an inventory of the valuables, and to produce these lists for inspection at a visitation by the Archdeacon.

The day-to-day maintenance of church buildings and contents is delegated to the churchwardens. The contribution the churchwardens make to all aspects of the Church of the Resurrection & St Barnabas fellowship, both material and spiritual, is of vital significance. To be churchwarden is to undertake a demanding, all embracing, rewarding and very important job.

'A servant community...following Jesus...for the good of the world'



THE PCC EXPLAINED

Church of the Resurrection and St Barnabas,
Eastlands

*"And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with
your God".
(Micah 6:8)*

The PCC of Church of the Resurrection & St Barnabas

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) looks after the general running of the Church and oversees the finances.

Resurrection & St Barnabas PCC consists of 16 members; the Rector; the Curates; 2 Churchwardens; 2 Deanery Synod Representatives; and 9 Lay Members.

The Deanery Synod Representatives, (in addition to their general PCC responsibilities) attend meetings with clergy and PCC representatives from the church, to help to support and further the mission of the Anglican churches within the Ardwick Deanery and the wider Diocese.

All members, except the Clergy, must be nominated and elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) before they can serve on the PCC.

There is also a **Standing Committee**, which consists of the Rector, 2 Churchwardens, Treasurer, PCC Secretary and one other PCC representative as pointed by the PCC. The Standing Committee deals with emergency issues that arise between meetings.

Parochial Church Councillors are elected annually and serve for a period of three consecutive years.

Churchwardens are elected annually, but can serve up to six years consecutively.

Deanery Synod Representatives are elected for three years at a time.

The PCC **Secretary** and the **Treasurer** are appointed from within the PCC or from the general church membership.

All Parochial Church Councillors are required to be on the **church electoral roll**.

What are the duties of PCC members?

We assume that all PCC members will want to play a full and enthusiastic part in the life of our church. Therefore we would expect a PCC member to:

- seek to maintain a living faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour;
- support the mission of the parish financially and generously through the Stewardship schemes;
- be a regular worshipper, both on Sundays and other days as appropriate, including the festivals celebrated and marked during the liturgical cycle of the church year;
- participate in teaching, training, Lent and other courses as appropriate;

- pray regularly for the people and the mission of the parish of The Good Shepherd and St Barnabas, and the Diocese.

In addition we look for leadership from our PCC members in the following ways:

A commitment to prepare for, prioritise and attend the 5-6 PCC meetings scheduled during the year

A willingness to play an active part in the PCC's business, vision and decision making and to contribute to the work of the PCC sub-committees

A willingness to uphold the decisions of the PCC (i.e. to share a collective responsibility) and to play a role in communicating them to the wider church family.

To keep themselves well informed about the views of church members, and the issues that concern them.

To develop an awareness of issues affecting the wider church, particularly in the Deanery and the Diocese.

PCC Structure

The PCC operates through the following sub committees, which will usually meet once or twice each 'term':

Standing Committee – is the one of the statutory committees of the PCC and has the power to deal with emergency issues between the PCC meetings. The PCC determines the spending limit of this committee which it can spend without consulting the PCC.

Fundraising & Social Committee –organises, prepares and delivers a variety of fundraising and social events, meals and refreshments to support the worship and outreach of our Church.

Mission & Outreach Committee – develops and delivers our church mission and outreach within the Parish.

Finance & Stewardship Committee – works with the Parish Treasurer and Rector to ensure our finances are in good order and efficiently managed. Promotes stewardship and monitors giving to the mission of the parish.

Building & Grounds team – is responsible for supporting the Churchwardens and Rector in maintaining the buildings and fabric of the church in good order.

The PCC sub-committees are all tasked with drawing on the enthusiasm, skills and giftings of all members of the congregation, not just those elected to the PCC. The