## Holy Innocents Church PCC Secretary's Report for the APCM

We have had three Meetings in the past year, plus a brief one after the APCM. We communicate between meetings if necessary. There have been full reports on Finance, Fabric and other matters as they arose. We have formed a Finance Committee to discuss financial matters and make proposals to the PCC – which has helped, as we do not have to spend so much time discussing them at PCC meetings. This has worked well.

We have discussed and installed a new sound system which seems very helpful, we are discussing a new toilet, church pathways and other practical matters. We have discussed Prayers of Love and Faith from the House of Bishops, which can be requested by unmarried couples of any sex, and have recommended to the congregation that we adopt these. We want to develop as an Inclusive Church, to make sure we are fully accessible to the disabled (and a wide range of disabilities) and that we welcome people of varying heritages. And we have discussed ecological matters, and our increased involvement in new village activities. We also want to become involved in supporting the school. And lastly, but importantly, we considered the Clergy Well=Being document (produced by the House of Bishops.) It is a valuable guide, and we supported Fr. Ben in endeavouring to carry out its advice, not always easy.

It has been an interesting year, and it is so valuable to join with all the members of the PCC and with Fr. Ben.

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