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Dear Church Member,

You are cordially invited to attend the upcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM) that will take place on Saturday March 23, 2024, at 1.00 pm (after a potluck lunch at 12.00 noon).

In accordance with our bylaws (Title V, article 2, section 6) this will be a **hybrid meeting**. You can therefore attend either in person, at the church, or virtually, via Zoom.

If you are planning on attending virtually, you will need to register via this link:

https://tec-europe.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApfugorDluGNcGHH_9oIZINmNuJ5Bj1PwZ

Please register individually, even if you plan on joining the meeting with someone else, on just one device. This allows us to ensure that every registered attendant receives an individual link for the vestry elections.

To have voice and vote at the AGM you must be a "Voting Member" that is "16 years of age or older who has submitted a signed application for membership and who supports the church with identifiable financial or service support." (By laws II.2) If you have not yet registered as a voting member or are not certain if you are listed as a member, please contact the office as soon as possible. The current list of voting members will be on display at the church.

The AGM is essential to the life of the congregation, and we encourage every member's active participation. The agenda is attached and includes the election of six people to the Vestry as well as the approval of the 2024 budget. **We currently have five candidates for the six open vestry seats. Please consider prayerfully whether you are called to serve in this ministry of leadership.**

Most of the voting takes place by show of hands (or a Zoom Poll)! For the Vestry elections, for which in accordance with our bylaws a secret ballot is required, we will use a separate [online voting system](#). This is both for those attending online (who will receive an individual link in advance), and those attending in person (who will receive a code on the day). After the election starts, this link will allow you to vote: <https://www.opavote.com/en/code/5058520062885888>

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If you are attending in person, please bring a smartphone, tablet or laptop with you that you can use for voting (we will also have one or two laptops available).

In preparation for the AGM, we ask for your prayers. This is the prayer the meeting will be opened with. We encourage you to make it part of your personal devotions from now until the AGM:

Almighty God, you have given your Holy Spirit to the Church to lead us into all truth: bless with the Spirit's grace and presence the members of this church at the annual meeting of the parish. Keep us we pray steadfast in faith and united in love, that we may manifest your glory and prepare the way of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. *Amen*

Yours in Christ,

Chris Easthill +

Peter Hellbach

Christopher Easthill
Rector

Peter Hellbach
Senior Warden

Agenda for the 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of
The Church of St. Augustine of Canterbury

1300 – UTC: Order of events

- Call to order/determination of quorum
- Opening Prayer
- Approval of the minutes of the last AGM (18.3.2023)
- Rector's Report
- Senior Warden's Report
- Junior Warden's Report
- Committee Reports for 2023: Questions or Comments
- "Rector's Cross" Award
- Candidates for Vestry: Nomination and Introduction

Coffee / Tea Break

- Appointment of auditors
- Presentation of Financial Report for 2023
- Audit Report 2022 and Dismissal (Entlastung) of 2022 Vestry
- Discussion & vote on the 2024 budget
- Vestry Elections: Electronic Vote (Opavote)
- Other business/Motions from the floor
- AGM Closes

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