

# Report from the Chapter Meeting

on 23 November 2016, chaired by the Sub Dean.

- Richard Cornwell, Chair of the Finance Committee, presented the Budget for 2017 to be approved by Chapter.
- The Sub Dean reported on the progress of the Communication Review stating that a working party has been established to carry out this review and that Terms of Reference for this group have been agreed by Chapter.
- Following the Dean's meeting in August with the Leader of Southwark Council and members of Southwark Council Highways Team regarding the proposal for step-free access at the west end of the link, Matthew Knight reported that it had been agreed for a proposal for these works to be presented to Southwark Council. Chapter agreed that this process should begin.
- An update was given regarding the replacement of the Cathedral's sound system. Matthew Knight reported that the Diocesan Sound Adviser would be meeting with the Cathedral Team in January 2017.
- It was reported that Dr Jackie Hall has been appointed as the new Cathedral Archaeologist.
- Jill Tilley gave an update on the Robes Sleepout, stating that registration will open at 7.00pm on Friday 25 November. Following an introduction by the Dean, there will be a Question & Answer session with the Sub Dean and Nicky Nicholls talking about her 36 years as a homeless person prior to finding her first home 16 years ago, in Croydon. Entertainment will be provided by the Oompah Brass Band followed by an auction led by Canon Roger Royle. The evening will finish with Compline and the following morning 7.00am Eucharist will be followed by breakfast.
- Canon Stephen Hance reported that at the Harvest Lunch a figure in excess of £4,000 had been raised for the Masvingo Diocese. This money will be used to support the supplementary feeding programme in Diocesan schools, which will not only provide children with much needed food but also encourage their attendance at school.
- The Sub Dean reported that Rachel Young has been appointed as the new Succentor and will be working for four days a week. She is to be installed at Evensong on January 22nd 2017.
- It was reported that Davina Cox had been appointed as the new manager of the Cathedral Refectory.
- Matthew Knight reported that Karen Greaves, the Administrator for the Education Centre, is leaving at the end of the year after six years' service. The recruitment process is underway to appoint a new administrator.
- Five new names were added to the Electoral Roll.