



NOTICE OF LIGHTWAVE COMMUNITY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2021



The Lightwave Community Bishop's Mission Order (BMO)

The Annual General Meeting for the Lightwave Community will be held on zoom on the 25th Day of May 2021 from 7:30pm to 9:30pm.

For election of up to 2 representatives of members of the Lightwave Community to the Lightwave Community Council.

For the consideration of:

- (a) a report on changes to the Lightwave Community Electoral Roll since the last annual general meeting
- (b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of Lightwave Community Council and activities of the Lightwave Community generally;
- (c) the financial statements of the Lightwave Community ending on the 31st December 2020;
- (d) other matters of interest to the Bishop's Mission Order or Lightwave Community.

If you are planning to attend, because of the Covid situation and to ensure security for those joining online, we ask that you confirm your attendance by using this link to sign up: <https://lightwave.churchsuite.com/events/rvkz37cb>

We will send out a zoom link a few days before the meeting.

Signed

Archdeacon for Rural Mission and Leader of Lightwave

Notes

Note that everyone is welcome to attend and participate but only those who are members of currently registered Lightwave Groups and on our electoral roll are eligible to vote. You can vote at the meeting on zoom, so we don't intend to offer postal voting. If you would like to see details of the procedure for nomination or election please contact andrew.gosden@cofesuffolk.org or call him on 07711 753312.

Note also these formal notes below:

1. Every person whose name is entered on the Electoral Roll of the Lightwave Community (and no other person) is entitled to vote at the election of members to the Lightwave Community Council.
2. A person is qualified to be elected as a member of the Lightwave Community if
 - at least sixteen years of age;
 - on the Electoral Roll of the Lightwave Community for at least six months
 - have habitually attended at missional group meetings of the Lightwave Community during a period of six months prior to election.

Proposers and seconders must be on the Electoral Roll of the Lightwave Community

No person shall be nominated unless they have signified their consent to serve, or there is in the opinion of the meeting sufficient evidence thereof. No person shall be nominated if they are disqualified from serving by the Church Representation Rules.

A person shall be disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or any synod under these rules if the person:

- (1) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a churchwarden or a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or a joint council if the person is disqualified from being a trustee of a charity (and the disqualification is not subject to a waiver which permits membership of a parochial church council, district church council or joint council).
- (2) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006).
- (3) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (with that expression being construed in accordance with Rule 71(2) of the Church Representation Rules).
- (4) A person's disqualification under sub-paragraph (3) may be waived by the bishop of the diocese by giving the person notice in writing.
- (5) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council if the person has been disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977.

Members of the Lightwave Community Council are also by virtue of being elected/appointed trustees of the Lightwave Community CIO Registered Charitable Incorporated Organisation (Registration Number 193242)

In order to confirm that they are eligible to act as a charity trustee, all newly elected Lightwave Community Council members will be required to sign a declaration confirming their eligibility to hold office as a charity trustee eligibility (i.e. non-disqualification under charity law) and will be asked to sign a Fit and Proper Person declaration. A copy of these declarations can be found at www.parishresources.org.uk/pccs/apcms/. By confirming that they are eligible for election, they are confirming that they are able to sign these declarations.