

Administrators Report 2020

2019 was our first full year with the new hall and meeting rooms available for hire. The new facilities have been greatly admired by those who have come along and seen them. We welcomed several new groups that hired the hall or rooms on a regular basis, increasing the revenue from the hire significantly. A few of these groups were only with us temporarily – Popley Explorers Nursery for example – but it is encouraging that there is a constant stream of enquiries from people looking to start new groups or to move to St. Gabriel's. We have also been fortunate to have many occasional hires, whether it has been the hall for parties or the rooms for meetings and training sessions. The new and improved hall, rooms, kitchen and toilet facilities have proved very popular with both the local community and with people from further afield.

Part of my role as Administrator is to do the admin for our Occasional Offices. This means that I write Baptism and Blessing, Banns and Marriage certificates. It is very encouraging that St. Gabriel's continues to be a popular choice for these celebrations, and in 2019 we celebrated 7 Baptisms and 2 Weddings.

I would like to give many thanks to Jenny and Steve for all their hard work for the last year in keeping the hall and facilities spotlessly clean for our many users.

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