

MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ON TUESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2011

Present: Fr Mike, Richard Spurgeon (Churchwarden), Dick Handy (Churchwarden), Linda Wainwright (Deanery Synod), Anne Morgan, Dawn Hyett, Candy Williams, Sheilah Hall, Colin Monk, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer), Jane Cook (Secretary)

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1. **Apologies for absence:**
Fr Timon (Asst Curate), Lindsay Chalk (Deanery Synod), Tony Rice-Oxley, Marian Haughton, Barbie Lloyd, David Hodgens, Sandra Hewett

2. **Minutes of last PCC meeting on 17th January**
Page 2, 4(b) – include Barbie to Charities Committee 2011.
The minutes were then signed as a true and accurate record.

3. **Matters Arising**
None

4. **Treasurer's Report**
Dawn gave the following report:

The closing bank balance at the end of January was £21,674.62.

Transactions that occurred during the month which need to be mentioned are the sales figure which includes £30 from the sale of church diaries and £103 from plant sales [Jane will send a letter of thanks to David, Len and Anna for their ongoing work]

Jane

Included in the fundraising figure is an amount of £348.53 which relates to the church's share from Burn's Night.

Liturgical donations include £89.13 from votive sales.

Included in donations is an amount of £120.25. This has been received from Santander and is a matched donation claimed by Sue Andrews on the craft goods that she has made and sold during 2010. This claim can be put through once a year and Sue does all the paperwork herself. [Jane will send a letter of thanks to Sue on behalf of the PCC].

Jane

On the expenditure side, the clergy expenses include the telephone bill which is for 3 months and therefore looks like we are over budget, and on the same lines the figure of £337.95 in photocopier expenses is the quarterly bill for the machine rental.

The total raised from the tower boxes that Lesley and Dick made has come to £635.22 so far although I know that there are still some more to come in as members of the congregation have approached me and said they are still filling them up.

4. a) **Charities Treasurer's Report**
Linda reported that the 2 weeks retiring collections in January for St Mary Axim raised £54.76 and the 2 weeks for the Mothers Union Overseas Development Fund raised £52.58.

Money collected for the Rowans Hospice at Jules funeral totalled £363.85 plus £285 from the raffle at the Show making a total of £648.85.

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Dawn will give this to Tony to hand over to the Rowans personally. There is also a further amount of around £200 in cheques which were made out to the Rowans direct.

5. **Report from Charities Committee**

Linda, Candy, Barbie, Fr Timon and Fr Mike met on 25th January to select the PCC supported charities for the year March 2011 to February 2012. They tried to give an equal spread between local, national and international charities but these are weighted by the involvement of members of the congregation in particular charities. Information should be displayed in church about the charity each month. Linda Wainwright proposed that the PCC accept these charities as set out for the next 12 months, this was seconded by Anne Morgan and agreed unanimously.

6. a) **Fabric and Finance and Quinquennial**

Minutes already circulated. Dick said that the Hall Committee usually donate £1,000 to the PCC each year although they are not duty bound to do so. David Cavey has done a forecast budget for the hall for this year and it is extremely tight but they will try to donate the £1K this year. The PCC are happy with this.

Dick said he and Colin met with Daniel, the Architect, when he did the final inspection of the tower regarding the leaks in the main church roof. The problem is with the ridge on the main roof particularly when there is rain and a strong wind. They have had two quotes for repairing this. Need to seal the roof to the ridge but Daniel is worried that this will not allow it to breathe and could cause problems in the future. They are now working on a solution which will cost around £2,100. We don't need a Faculty for this but do need a Schedule B. Dick needs to sort this out by Monday and return it to the DAC and needs a copy of the PCC resolution to go with it. Colin proposed that we go ahead with the repair of the church roof as specified by Daniel at a cost of around £2,100 (plus Architect's fees which are up to about £700 so far) and this was seconded by Dick and agreed unanimously by 11 members of the PCC. Richard will inform the insurance company that the work is going ahead on the roof once a date is agreed.

Dick

Jane

Richard

Dick said that the sockets at the far end of the church have tripped about 3 or 4 times. He has an electrician coming next week to look at this.

Dick is doing a new key register for all holders of church keys.

b) **40th Anniversary**

Next event is the Pancake Party on 8th March and there is a meeting next Monday to finalise this. Tickets are now on sale.

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c) **Pastoral**

Not met.

d) **Hall**

Minutes have already been circulated. Colin said he would like to add that Anne Willoughby is getting frustrated when people tend to think that the hall is available for use at all times. We do have people hiring the hall on a regular basis and people need to contact her for bookings.

Sadly Anne will be leaving to move to the Isle of Wight. She takes all the bookings for the hall and we need to find someone to take this on. Colin approached two people who were not able to assist. Anne

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stresses that it is not an onerous job. Richard wondered whether we could also set something up on the website so people could put in requests by e-mail.

e) **Fundraising**

Not met.

f) **Social**

Minutes circulated today. Page 2 has a list of events for the rest of this year. The PCC need to approve this for insurance purposes. It was proposed that the future events be supported by the PCC and this was seconded by Linda and agreed unanimously.

g) **Deanery Synod**

Meet this Thursday. Fr Mike said that next Tuesday evening the whole congregation are invited to Havant to meet the new Bishop. There is a list of food which we need to take with us. Tuesday is a Tweenies/George's Men night.

All

7. **Correspondence**

- Fr Mike has invited the Bishop to come to St George's on a Sunday in October and is waiting to be given a date. It would be nice to have wine and cake in the hall afterwards.
- The Bishop has accepted an invitation to attend one of the concerts during the Music Festival with the Mayor of Havant.

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 23rd March** following the 7.30 pm Eucharist.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm