

MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD AT VICARAGE ON MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2013

Present: Fr Mike, Linda Wainwright (Churchwarden), Dick Handy (Churchwarden), Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Candy Williams (Deanery Synod) Tony Rice-Oxley, Sonja Barrand, Rachel Palmer, Colin Monk, Lynne McNeill, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer)

ACTION

1. **Apologies for absence:**
Abi Morgan, Geoff & Marian

Fr Mike welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.

2. **Minutes of last PCC meeting on 3rd June**
The minutes were agreed and signed as a true and accurate record.

3. **Matters Arising**
The gardener for the church grounds has now started work
Quinquennial Inspection will now take place in the new year

4. **Church Finances**

- a) **Treasurer's Report**
Dawn gave the following report:

INCOME

- We have received £2083.79 for gift aid for the qtr ending September 2013
- Donations include £43.68 from baptisms and £200 donation for a book of readings
- Liturgical donations includes £109.25 from votive sales
- Fundraising is made up of £200 from the barn dance £505.50 shop proceeds and 50p from the sale of a diary

EXPENDITURE

- Admin includes our annual license to CCLI of £382.12 and the annual licence for the raffle of £20
- Liturgical costs are for candles and alter breads
- Extra ordinary expenditure is made up of £288 for the piano cover and £568 for the decoration of the vicarage hall stairs and landing.

Budget – proposed by Dawn Trimby and seconded by Dick Handy – accepted based on when amended with additional Parish Administrators pay added and costs for door closures added for front glass door on left hand side.

- b) **Charities Treasurer's Report**
Lynne reported £175.58 had been raised for Southern Domestic Abuse and £65.00 for Bagdad , as well as two lots of £50 raised from

coffee mornings

Amounts raised for Philippines and Naomi House yet to be confirmed.

Lynne

c) **Fabric and Finance Committee Report**

The key areas were:

ACTION

Time and Talents:

- Stewardship drive/focus proposed as a focus during lent
- Rough outline for Time and Talents drive has been formatted
- A Technical support group has been proposed as part of the time a talents structure
- Highlighted a need for stable rotas , and the need to format a document for those willing to help to make clear what a job entails and what time commitments would be
- Recommended a separate group should meet to carry this through to format a time and talents drive
- Date for this group TBC
- Members to be – Colin Monk, Dick Handy , Rachel Palmer , Linda Wainwright and one other needed. *(Post meeting action - Lynda Sheffield will be joining the Stewardship/Time And Talents Lent Programme Committee and has been invited to attend the first meeting arranged for January 7th 2014)*
- This group is confirmed to meet twice within January

Dick

Boiler:

- The fitting of a new boiler will now go ahead
- Tony highlighted heating will now be a cost incurred under the church budget rather than the halls.
- Initial quote for boiler works advised as £5000- a formal quote will follow – agreed by all -a second quote would be advisable for this work- Barbie said she could recommend a plumber if required.

Misc:-

- The altar rail candle holders are now in place
- The roof has been inspected and it has been stated the seals are in a bad condition an initial quote of £850 has been accessed – this will be checked , but is not guaranteed.

5. Pastoral Committee

Linda Wainwright clarified the following:

- A lot of discussions at the last pastoral committee meeting covered information regarding time and talents.
- The Sunday school meeting has now happened- this has helped prepare for up and coming rehearsals for the nativity, where it has been agreed a more traditional nativity script will be used due to there being many new members to the Sunday school.

Other Committee Reports

a) Social and Fundraising

- Tony advised 2014 looks to be 'quite thin' in regards to fundraising opportunities. Part of this is due to there not being a shop in 2014. Tony stated a predicted additional £1000 deficit needs to be raised to meet this likely drop in funds.
- Tony asked for any suggestions for fundraising /social activities from PCC members, which may vary from events held previously.

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6. Deanery Synod Report

- Hot topic was using talents- one recommendation from another parish was to apply a Myers Brigg's assessment approach to enable people to see their hidden talents in order to support their parish church.
- Speed debating between different parishes
- Barbie feedback that recommendation Synod have made about the Gift aid small donations scheme are being achieved at St Georges

7. Church computer

Dick stated:-

The church computer for the parish office is currently being configured with windows 2007, he advised antivirus needs to be added and separate accounts need to be set up for ease of use, for varying groups in the church.

.8. Mission Opportunities

A joint application with Purbrook as the lead parish has been made for a bid of £25,000 for an Anglican worker in the Berewood development area to work alongside Baptist community minister. This bid has been made to cover this post for an initial year, and it is hoped this post and its success will be reviewed and continued once one year has past. It was pointed out this post has to be filled by a lay person, in order to

make an application to the Mission Opportunities fund.
The bid for funding for this post was proposed by Colin Monk and seconded by Dawn Trimby.

9. **Correspondence**

All

Healing on the streets-

Two pilot Saturdays have been completed and are believed to have 'went well'

It is proposed healing on the streets will happen on a monthly basis from January 2014 onwards.

It has been requested if the Baptist church members holding these monthly sessions can use the church building as a base for one to one prayer .

PCC asked if they were happy for this request to be granted.

Unanimous decision to allow this request.

Legacies-

Pat Palmer has left a legacy of £500 to St Georges Church.

British Legion Box – letter-

Fr Mike read out a letter from sympathetic New reader who has sent the PCC a cheque correcting the theft of the British Legion donation box for it replacement as well as donation to be placed in a new box.

It was agreed in the meeting this letter would be read out in a church service and the Sunday school involved due to their input on Remembrance Sunday.

Dick Handy /Lynda Wainwright to pen a reply with thanks from the PCC for this donation.

Dick / Lynda

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 14th January** in church following the 7.30 pm Eucharist.