

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.