

## MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ON TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2013

**Present:** Fr Mike, Dick Handy (Churchwarden), Linda Wainwright (Churchwarden), Sheilah Hall, Candy Williams (Deanery Synod), Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Anne Morgan, Abi Morgan, Sandra Hewett, Tony Rice-Oxley, Lindsay Chalk, Colin Monk, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer), Jane Cook (Secretary)

### ACTION

1. **Apologies for absence:**

Pat Mitchell, Geoff Davies and Carol McKells

Fr Mike welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming out on such a cold night. Sympathy to Jane and Tony and family for the loss of Ruby last night.

2. **Minutes of last PCC meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> December**

The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record.

3. **Matters Arising**

Page 1, Item 3 – Anne is still looking for a small surplice

Page 1, Item 3 – Microphone – Dick confirmed that the engineer had fixed the microphone and we have had no problem with it since. The bill came to £270.30.

Page 1, Item 3 – Wheelchair. Jennefer Higginbottom had managed to get a wheelchair.

Page 1, Item 3 – Coffin stands – the carpenter Dick had spoken to about making us some stands is no longer able to do it. However, Tony said that he was talking to Edwards about it today and they would be happy to provide stands at no cost to us. Tony will ask them to go ahead.

Page 2, Item 4c) – bill not yet received from B&M Clark so could be they are not going to charge us.

Page 2, Item 5 – clothes Dawn made last year for the nativity never turned up so she made some new ones. Fr Mike said thanks to everyone involved in putting on the nativity which was a great success.

Page 3, Item 8 – Barbie said no minutes have yet been received from the meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> November which is why they haven't been circulated.

Page 3, Item 6 – Tony said the lock to the back door of the hall has been changed to stop people going in that way.

Anne

Tony

Barbie

4. **Church Finances**

a) **Treasurer's Report**

Dawn gave the following report:

We ended the year on the HSBC account with a surplus of £1301.32 after adjusting for the £10000 we transferred to the UTB account.

Income was below budget by £3406.17 and expenditure was over budget by £1300.78 but this did include the work carried out on the wall, which we had not budgeted for. (£1893.60 in total)

Things to mention this month

Income

- £70.80 in donations was from baptisms
- £243,50 was received from votive sales and is included within lit gifts
- In fundraising there are
  - £1447.82 from the bazaar after donations
  - £14 Smarties fund
  - £568.71 100 club
  - £100 Bonus ball
  - £222 Bulb sales
- Extra-ordinary income is £93.13 received from the servers account which has now been closed
- We also received £392.24 from our investment with the Diocese

Expenditure

- Included within church maintenance is
  - o £132 gift aid envelope holders
  - o £300.30 spent on the sound system
  - o £55 to the window cleaner
- Church grounds includes £51.98 for outdoor Christmas lights
- £90 was paid for 'Pompey Chimes' for 2013 and this is included within bulletin
- Included within Lit costs is
  - o £269.73 for child size chasubles
  - o £88.15 on wafers
  - o £199.40 on candles

Fr Mike said chasubles in memory of Fr Peter will be used on 17<sup>th</sup> February for the first time.

Fr Mike said a huge thanks on behalf of the PCC to Jane R-O and Rosemary for organising the Christmas Bazaar which was a good day and a great success.

b) **Charities Treasurer's Report**

Linda said that Pat Mitchell was away at Christmas and was taken ill up north and was in hospital. She is now back home in Waterlooville and improving but it is clear that she is not going to be able to continue as Charities Treasurer and has regretfully said she will have to stand down. Linda is going to see her to get everything back off her but this means that we will need a replacement Charities Treasurer. Fr Mike will put this in the Bulletin.

Fr Mike

Linda gave the following report:

- The retirement collection in aid of Practical Action in October raised £144.44.
- The retirement collection for two weeks in December for Children in Distress raised £91.71.
- An amount of £450.06 was sent to the Children's Society made up as follows:
  - £197.30 – Retirement Collection December
  - £20.10 - Baptism
  - £182.66 - Christingle
  - £50.00 – Wednesday coffees
- Naomi House – money from Baptisms etc - £164.88
- Sands – money from Baptisms etc - £67.58

Each of the above includes a £50 donation from Wednesday coffees charity fund.

- The Memorial Service raised £67.21 for The Rowans
- £100 from Wednesday coffees donated to the Church

c) **Fabric and Finance Committee Report**

Meeting held last week – minutes will be circulated in due course.

Dick gave the following highlights:

- Committee had a walk around church identifying a list of items to be repaired, a lot of which can be done in house.
- Gallery – been in touch with Daniel the Architect several times. A quote of £6,856.20 ex VAT has been received from B&M Clark to increase the height of the front rail, install glass panels, fill in the gaps etc.
- Two or 3 items still outstanding and have gone back to Daniel but they are in hand as B&M Clark have been to look again this week. Quotes for church re-decoration is between £5K and £8K. Dick said Daniel reviewed the cheapest company and thinks he may recommend going with the middle company. Exclusive of VAT the lowest quote for re-decoration of the church is £14,300, middle £15,800 and highest £18,700, so including the gallery work would come to around £20,000. We do have the funds for this work. Dick will circulate the quotes for people to look at and at the next PCC meeting we will need to vote.
- Documentation has been received from the Diocese for the Faculty and Dick and Linda will be working on this.
- Fr Mike said there is about £5,000 in donations towards the re-decoration including £2,000 from Jean Brice and £500 from Joe Greenwell's family towards the re-decoration of the Lady Chapel.
- RSCM recommend that our organist should receive an increase. Currently she receives £2,700 pa. The proposal from F&F is that we increase Stella's salary from £2,700 to £3,000 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013. This was seconded by Tony Rice-Oxley and agreed unanimously.
- Photocopier – it is too confusing everyone having a separate number so it is proposed we have just one number for each group and these will be put on the board so people can see what their number is when they photocopy. This was agreed by PCC.
- There is an obligation on the PCC to decorate one room in the Vicarage each year. No decorating has been done in the last 8 years and Fr Mike and Lynda would like the hall, stairs and landing decorated this year. Dick proposed that the church undertakes the redecoration of the hall, stairs and landing in the Vicarage and this was seconded by Linda Wainwright and agreed unanimously.

Dick

Dick / Linda

5.

**Pastoral Committee Report**

- The PCC approved the inclusion on the Church Insurance of the Burns Night, Gourmet evening, Waterloo Music Festival and the Palm Sunday and Good Friday processions through Waterloo.
- Fr Mike said the new youth scheme started on Sunday night, everyone turned up and it was a successful evening. Theo Rogers won the prize for the name for 2013 – Team Ascalon (the name of the sword used by St George to slay the dragon).

## ACTION

6. **Hall Committee Report**  
Hall redecoration all going ahead. Tony said we produced a schedule for the decorator to work to so it worked in with groups using the hall. However he seems to be ahead of himself. You will notice that there are new noticeboards and lots of new signs put up. A bar has been put up to stop the chairs banging against the wall. The kitchen floor has also now been done. Tony said a big thank you to the team of people who turned up on Saturday afternoon to clean and tidy up.
7. **Other Committee Reports**
- a) **Social**  
Not met. Meet Friday.
- b) **Fundraising**  
Not met. Meet Friday.
8. **Deanery Synod Report**  
Not met.
9. **Update on Future of Partnership Ministry**  
Fr Mike said there was nothing much to update except to say that the advertisements will go in the Church Times for a .5 for Purbrook and 1.00 for Crookhorn. Interviews will be in March to start in the summer. Will be licensed to all 3 churches Purbrook, Crookhorn and Christ Church.
10. **Meeting dates for 2013/14**  
Fr Mike will discuss this at the next PCC meeting. Fr Mike
11. **Pentecost 2013**  
Everyone had looked at the Pentecost booklet which was handed out at the last meeting. This will take place from 17-19 May and every parish has been asked to organise something for the community on the Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May. Some suggestions were a cream tea for the elderly with someone playing the piano. We would produce tickets and give to McCarthy Stone and residential homes in the parish. A tea dance was also suggested. This will be discussed at the next Pastoral Committee meeting so if anyone has any other ideas let Linda know before Monday. All
12. **Correspondence**  
Fr Mike advised that following the problem with the organ recently which couldn't be resolved in-house the organ tuner came in and has resolved the problem. He left a note to say that it is 15 years since the organ has been cleaned and this would cost £16,000 to do. He said it is not urgent now but will probably mean we will have trouble more regularly if we don't have it done.  
  
Tony said it is useful to think ahead for future budgets.
13. **Date of Next Meeting**  
The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2013** in Church following the 7.30 pm Eucharist. All  
  
The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.