

**MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH  
ON TUESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 8.00 PM**

**Present:** Fr Mike, Linda Wainwright (Churchwarden), Rosy Stone (Churchwarden), Elaine Shimbart (Deanery Synod), Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Sonja Barrand, Sheilah Hall, Lynne McNeill, Patricia Byrne, Tony Rice-Oxley, Dick Handy, Candy Williams, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer), Jane Cook (Secretary)

**ACTION**

1. **Apologies for absence:** John Hood, Marian Haughton
2. **Minutes of last PCC meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record.
3. **Matters Arising**  
Page 1, Item 3 – Pew Cushions – Linda said that she and Colin re-measured all the pew cushions and an order has now been placed for the pew cushions, kneelers and the material for the banners. Half the cost was paid with the order and delivery should be in 6-8 weeks.  
Page 4, Item 9c – St George's Ladies Group – Fr Mike confirmed that a letter has been sent to Anne Brown.  
Page 4, Item 9d – Organist – Fr Mike confirmed the contract has been signed.  
Page 4, Item 9e – Vestry Piano – the piano is in situ and is being used.  
Page 4, Item 9f – Charities Committee – comes up on the agenda later.
4. **a) Treasurer's Report**  
Dawn gave the following report:  
**Income**
  - Included in Donations is £70.90 from Baptisms
  - Fundraising includes £40 from plants, £361.10 Princess Ida concert, £1 Diaries (Dawn explained that people have been putting the diary money in the box in the porch so she is unable to give accurate figures), £635 Race night and £100 Bonusball
  - Donation income is £2500 from WMF
  - Extra Ordinary income is £78.78 from WMF for MJS expenses and £50 from the 5p's in a bottle
  - Photocopying is from WMF**Expenditure**
  - Included within church maintenance is the cost of having the fire extinguishers checked amounting to £288.96. However half of this is reimbursed by the hall and I have now received this and will be banked in August.
  - Fees paid out is high due to the weddings this week but we had to get the money ready prior to the wedding.
  - Extra-ordinary expenditure is the cost of the fleeces and t-shirts. This will be repaid by the congregation.  
**b) Charity Treasurer's Report**  
Lynne gave the following report:  
Rainbow Centre, Fareham - £99.91  
July – United Society Embrace - £129.60  
Baptisms - £123.39 for Hannah's Holiday Homes  
Dawn said she has just banked £218.11 (5 weeks + 2 baptisms) for Children in Distress which she has not had time to let Lynne know about yet.

**c) F&F & Quinquennial Report**

Linda said the meeting was held last week and the minutes are in the process of coming out. She has already mentioned pew cushions under Matters Arising.

Faculty - Dick advised that the Faculty is ready to go for the Sacristy roof to include insulation, lighting etc and also the pew cushions (as they are over £5,000). They went through it in detail at the F&F meeting and now need a PCC resolution and the extract from the minutes will go in with the Faculty.

The Resolution is that the PCC accept this Faculty for the replacement of the sacristy roof and the pew cushions at a cost of £16,696.51 for the roof to be carried out by Renovation UK Ltd and £5,219.44 for the pew cushions from Safeoam. This was proposed by Dick Handy and seconded by Dawn Trimby. A show of hands was requested – 14 for, none against and no abstentions.

Jane to let Dick have this extract by Thursday for him to send off with the Faculty.

Parish Giving Scheme – Linda said we are planning on trialling this before rolling out to the whole congregation next year and she has already had a number of applications which will be sent off to the Central Unit at Diocesan House in Gloucester and will see how it goes so we are able to answer any questions at the roll out. Linda will be overseeing the trialling of the project and is hopeful that we have someone to step in once it is up and running.

Budget details from the Diocese – Linda said this is being looked at by F&F and has been circulated to everyone. The details are well presented this year and because of the change in the way the Parish share is going to be assessed it looks as if we come off quite well in the next 2 or 3 years. Patricia and Tony are going to the training session on 18<sup>th</sup> September. F&F Committee recommend we approve 2016 Budget as a PCC this year. Tony was asked to look through it.

Gift Day – proposed for October 2015 is to be postponed until Easter 2016.

JC

**5. Pastoral Committee Report**

Rosy said she has nothing to add to the minutes which have already been circulated except to say that there will be a Sunday School meeting this Sunday after the 10 am service.

Tony said he had been asked again about members of the congregation picking people up once a month to bring to church. This has been discussed several times at Pastoral and the consensus is that taxis are the way to go.

**6. Hall Committee Report**

Not met. Tony said the ramp has been successfully completed and paid for. He said the hall is suffering a bit with people who hire the hall cheaply or for free as we have had a dance school wanting a regular commitment who are prepared to pay £14 an hour. This is an ongoing discussion.

**7. Other Committee Reports****a) Social**

Jane will circulate the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> July to everyone. Tony said numbers are going down for coffee in the hall on a Friday morning and asked people to try and use it if they are in Waterlooville.

JC

**b) Fundraising**

Not met.

All

**8. Deanery Synod**

Not met.

**9. Report from Charities Committee**

Fr Mike thanked Lynne, Elaine and Marian who met on 2<sup>nd</sup> August to select the PCC supported charities for the year 2015/16. This has already been circulated to everyone but Fr Mike read them out as follows:

2015

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| AUGUST    | Children in Distress   |
| SEPTEMBER | The Blendworth Centre  |
| OCTOBER   | Angel Radio            |
| NOVEMBER  | Havant Home Start      |
| DECEMBER  | The Children's Society |

2016

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| JANUARY   | Parkinson's UK                          |
| FEBRUARY  | Portsmouth Samaritans                   |
| MARCH     | The Bishop's Lent Appeal                |
| APRIL     | The Rowan's Hospice                     |
| MAY       | Christian Aid and Let the Children Live |
| JUNE      | Wateraid                                |
| JULY      | Naomi House                             |
| AUGUST    | Portsmouth Hospitals Rocky Appeal       |
| SEPTEMBER | Southern Domestic Abuse                 |

This was proposed by Lynne McNeill, seconded by Elaine Shimbart and agreed unanimously.

**10. Intercessions Board by BVM**

Fr Mike said that some people are taking the cards by Our Lady away with them but some people are writing prayers on them and leaving them around Our Lady. He wondered if we should provide a small board so people could put their intercessions there. PCC were happy in principle to explore this further. Rosy to put on the Pastoral Committee agenda to be discussed at the next meeting.

RS

**11. Cover for Choir Vestry Piano**

After discussion the PCC agreed that they were happy for Fr Mike to go ahead and order a cover for the piano and Linda said she would be happy to give a donation.

MS

**12. Waterlooville Christmas Tree – donation from St George's (£20)**

It was agreed to provide a proper Christmas tree for Waterlooville this year and initial funding of £20 will come from businesses, churches and schools. The PCC are happy that we support this.

**13. Town Centre Chaplaincy**

An idea has been put forward by the Waterlooville Family Church who meet in Springwood Community Centre. Their Minister suggests that the churches work together to have a Chaplain in the market every Friday. They want to get approval from all the churches before taking it any further. It will be the same group as the Street Pastors in Southsea and the same trainers. The Catholics and Baptists have already agreed to this. PCC agreed that we should support this and offer our church if the Chaplain needs to bring anyone in to sit quietly as it is always open on a Friday.

MS

**ACTION**

14.       **Gift for Mark Langtry**  
At the last PCC meeting it was agreed that we should give Mark a gift when he finishes and Rod Starr takes over. However Rod and Mark will be working together in the future. Fr Mike has spoken to his sister who said he loves his garden and thinks he would appreciate Keydell vouchers. The PCC agreed to give him £100 in Keydell vouchers which Dawn will get and they will be presented to him on 27<sup>th</sup> September which is his last day as organist.
15.       **Church Floor**  
Fr Mike said thank you to the ladies and gentlemen who re-painted the floor at the beginning of August. Unfortunately it has turned out rather streaky and everyone is very upset. It will be re-done which will unfortunately incur a cost as they will need to buy more paint.
16.       **Correspondence**
- A card has been received from Jenny Treagust, Margaret Anderson's daughter thanking St George's for the help and kindness shown in arranging her mother's funeral and enclosing a cheque for £100. Fr Mike suggested keeping this money to buy next year's Paschal candle at Easter in memory of Margaret. Dawn will put this in the legacy account until it is needed. Jane will write to Jenny.
  - Fr Mike said that the Cathedral were getting rid of some staging and asked if any church would like it. He went down with Colin and John to look at it and they offered a £50 donation (they were told it cost £800) which was accepted if they took it away immediately. This was paid for by WMF. It is quick to erect on 3 different levels. It is on the stage in the hall at the moment and Colin is hoping to put it under the stage until needed. It will save Tony a lot of effort going down to Hart Plain School to borrow their staging whenever we need it. Dick said it is also still in manufacture if we need to buy anymore. The web site for the staging is [www.revostage.co.uk](http://www.revostage.co.uk) should we need any bits.
10.       **Date of Next Meeting**  
The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015** following the 7.30 pm Eucharist.
- The meeting closed at 9.05 pm.
- DT  
JC  
All