

**MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN CHURCH
ON MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY 2020 AT 8.00pm IN CHURCH
FOLLOWING THE 7.30 pm EUCHARIST**

Present: Chris Gadd (Churchwarden)(Chair), John Hood (Churchwarden), Fr Colin Lawlor, Marian Haughton, Malcolm Brewer, Ian Gibson, Anne Morgan, Jane Cook (Secretary)

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		Opening Prayer – Chris read the Leading your Church into Growth Prayer.	
1.		Apologies for absence: Sandra Hewett, Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Candy Williams (Deanery Synod), Sara Pask, Lesley Handy, Mo Peters Did not attend: Lisa Toft Dawn Trimby (Treasurer) – not in attendance as agreed	
2.		Minutes of last PCC meeting on 29th January The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record.	
3.		Matters Arising	
		<u>Page 1, Item 3</u> – Choir and Band – this is an ongoing discussion with Don Lloyd and Chris said he will report back once there is something to report. <u>Page 2, Item 4c</u> – Faculty - John has applied for the Faculty and is waiting to hear. This is a lot of work so the PCC thanked John for all his efforts. <u>Page 2, Item 5a</u> – Loans - Malcolm and Chris need to get together to arrange the loan returns. <u>Page 2, Item 5d</u> – Who to contact if someone has not been seen in church for a while - Chris said he will make sure this goes in the Bulletin on a regular basis. Malcolm has contacted Sonja about his DBS Certificate and this is all sorted. <u>Page 2, Item 7</u> – Jane Hedges has been added to the list of people to invite to the 50 th Anniversary. <u>Page 6, Item 10</u> – Tweenies name change – Jane has let Rosemary Monk know that PCC agreed the name change to St George's Ladies.	MB/CG CG
4.	a)	Charity Treasurer's Report	
		The figures for January as provided by Lynne McNeill, Charity Treasurer, are as follows: £105.83 was collected during January for Huntington's Disease Association.	
	b)	Treasurer's Report	
		No report or figures received.	
	c)	Fabric, Finance and Quinquennial Committee Report	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of F&F on Sunday 16th February to discuss the proposed new sound system have already been circulated. Following a successful visit to St Nicholas Church, Wickham who have the same system it was proposed by Chris Gadd that we go ahead with the sound system at a cost of £3279.80 	

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		<p>but we must not exceed the amount left in the legacy. Any issues can be resolved by the F&F Committee. This was seconded by Malcolm Brewer, 7 in favour and 1 against.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On 8th February a work party was held when a lot of the maintenance items in the church, grounds and hall were dealt with. The PCC would like to record their thanks to George's Men and Ladies who took part and to Colin Monk for organising it. During Lent Tony Rice-Oxley is organising a work party on Saturdays 29th February, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th March to clean the inside windows of the church. This will involve using the scaffolding unit for the high work which includes removing any double glazed panels to clean inside and out. Ladies welcome too to do the cleaning. 	All
5.		Other Committee Reports	
	a)	Hall Committee	
		Not met. Ian said we have made a start on the maintenance side of things. The 2 main things at the moment are the exchange of hall keys by hirers on 19 th March. Tony has drafted a letter to send out. Hirers will need to come in on this particular day to receive and sign for their new key or arrange another time if they really can't make this day. The other thing in the letter is asking hirers to make sure the fires are turned off at the end of their hire or a fine could be incurred. We are also looking at whether we could extend the radiators in the hall so we could do away with the gas fires altogether.	
	b)	Social and Fundraising Committee	
		Not met.	
	c)	Pastoral Committee	
		Not met.	
	d)	Safeguarding Report	
		The Safeguarding Report from Sonja for this meeting has already been circulated. There was nothing further raised.	
6.		Deanery Synod Report	
		Not met.	
7.		St George's 50th Anniversary	
		Malcolm said all is progressing very well. All the invitations for the Choral Evensong on Friday 3 rd April have now gone out, so far 6 replies have been received – 4 apologies and 2 acceptances.	
8.		Mission & Stewardship Committee	
		Not met.	
9.		Update by Fr Colin	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Launch of the Mission Action Plan on Sunday 2nd February went well and I have had positive feedback on that. Having regular Lent courses was part of the MAP. Last year only 2 people signed up but this year 32 people have signed up. There will be 5 groups meeting and 3 of these groups are being led by lay people. I have finished writing it. I have had at least 3 enquiries about Baptisms and 4 or 5 about 	

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	<p>Confirmation which is very positive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coronavirus – today I have received some advice from the Bishop which tells us to follow the advice on the website. This is based on the Government advice. This is likely to change regularly so just need to keep up to date. • You may have noticed that I prayed for Richard who comes on a Wednesday who is very poorly and had a fall today, but his wife has said that she wants no visitors at the moment. Please remember him in your prayers. • We have received a request from an organ tutor who wants to teach people the organ using our organ and will make a donation each time to church funds. Everyone thought this should be encouraged. Malcolm asked if a notice could go on the gate up to the gallery reminding people to make sure it is locked as a couple of times he has been in church and found people wandering around in the gallery. • We are interviewing 5 people for the new Administrator post tomorrow. They all appear to have good cv's and have worked a lot in admin. • PCCs used to have to meet a minimum of 4 times a year but from this year there is no limit. I would like to suggest and discuss at the APCM making our PCC meetings bi-monthly to coincide with the sub-committees. This might also encourage more people to apply to come on the PCC. • John Symonds funeral will be held on 24th March at 2pm. The family are going to the Crematorium in the morning so this will be more of a memorial service. 	
10.	Correspondence	
	• Concerts in church (Tony Rice-Oxley's email)	
	<p>Jane read out an email listing the concerts that are booked in church – one in March, one in May, 3 in July and one in December so far. It is quite a large job to organise all these concerts and the refreshments. Tony is suggesting a team of 6 people that can be used for concerts as and when necessary. Ideally 3 people are needed for any one concert plus those doing refreshments.</p> <p>It was agreed that the locking and unlocking should be shared between those people holding keys and Chris will do 28th March and Fr Colin and the 2 churchwardens will meet with Tony to see what is actually required and then Chris will put an advert in the Bulletin asking for people to help.</p>	CL/CG/JH
	• Letter from Havant Deanery re Parish Share	
	<p>Dawn has received a letter dated 6th February from Havant Deanery thanking us for meeting the Parish Share again and advising that for the second year running Havant has met its commitment not only as a deanery but in each and every individual parish. Havant is just one of 2 deaneries in the Portsmouth Diocese to achieve this.</p>	
	• Applications for Churchwarden, PCC and Deanery Synod	
	<p>Jane produced some forms for Election of PCC members and Churchwardens from the Diocese of Portsmouth website which she thought we should perhaps be using rather than the ones we have used previously. Fr Colin agreed that we should change and use these forms.</p>	JC

11.	Date of Next PCC Meeting	<u>ACTION</u>
	Change of date for next PCC Fr Colin apologised he is away on Tuesday 17 th March 2020 so the date has been changed to Wednesday 25th March 2020 at 8.00pm in church following the 7.30pm Eucharist.	ALL
	Closing Prayer There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.	