

Minutes of PCC Meeting held in the Parish Room on 12/9/2018 at 7.45 p.m.

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Attendees: - Rev. Nat White, Anne Parker-Tyler, Pat Milner, John Stevenson, Peter Hobbs, Joanne Gibson, Rebecca Morgan, Jacqui Lancaster, Kim McCloghry, Fergus McCloghry and Colin Allen.

1. WELCOME AND WORSHIP.

Anne chaired the meeting and having welcomed the members she read Revelation, chapter 22, "Paradise Restored" which refers to the "tree of life", the leaves of which are for the healing of the nations. She added a quotation from John 15:5, beginning "I am the vine, ye are the branches." The readings were particularly relevant because the composition of a tree is being used to consider and formulate the aims of All Saints' Church. Anne then led prayers for worldwide peace, with particular emphasis on peace for the Holy Land and sustenance of our local community.

2. APOLOGIES. These had been received from Charles Dunn.

3. ELECTION OF MEMBER.

Colin Allen proposed that a membership vacancy be filled by the election of Fergus McCloghry. This was seconded by Pat Milner and Fergus was duly elected.

4. MINUTES from the meeting on 18/07/18 were accepted as proposed by Pat and seconded by Anne.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

(i) There is still £5,000 available for charitable giving and it was decided to make donations to other than the usual recipients. Suggestions will be sought from members of the congregation.

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(ii) It has been suggested that Nat apply to Your Cafe administration for funds to assist with the establishment of a "toddler group"

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(iii) Colin repeated the request from the bell ringers that consideration to be given to improving the electricity supply in the ringing chamber. Pat will investigate the likely cost.

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6. FEEDBACK FROM THE PCC AWAY DAY.

Rev. Nat distributed documents resulting from the PCC Away Day deliberations, listing the values agreed and the aims and goals arising from those values. It had been decided to use part of Mission Meetings to concentrate on the values found. These fundamental roots needed to be communicated to the congregation and should be ahead of discussions on how we intend to use the building and the resulting decisions on heating or re-ordering. It is realised that it will not be possible to install a new heating system for this winter and consideration will be given to providing alternative comforts such as hot drinks and blankets. In determining options for a new heating system, consideration will be given to any data, from previous research, if Charles still has this in his possession.

7. BVN MATTERS.

Peter will feed back the following comments to the Parish Council:-

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(i) That although a production team may be practical, ultimate responsibility should rest with an individual.

(ii) The exclusion of fliers should not prohibit the inclusion of our fete raffle tickets or our Christmas stars.

(iii) We are not on favour of a premium charge for advertising during the Christmas period.

8. NAT'S NOTICES.

- (i) As agreed, baptism leaflets have now been purchased, together with invitation cards for "All Age" services. (Baptisms have been registered for December and January.)
- (ii) On October 7th, the, 11.15 am, Harvest Festival Service will be held at Bragborough Farm and this will be followed by a harvest lunch. It will be requested that offerings are of non-perishable items suitable for the food bank. Money collected will be donated to the Farming Community Network.
- (iii) On Remembrance Sunday, services will be held at 10.45 am at Ashby, Welton and Braunston. There will not be a 3.00 pm service. Nat will advise the British Legion of these arrangements. NW
- (iv) On the Sunday closest to All Souls Day, November 4th, Bishop Donald will take evensong.
- (v) The usual service of remembrance will be at 6.00 pm on November 18th.
- (vi) Christmas Service dates:-
 - December 17th. Christingle Service for the school.
 - .. 23rd. Nine Lessons and Carols. 6.00 pm.
 - .. 24th. Crib Service 4.00 pm
 - .. 24th. Midnight Service. 11.00 pm
 - .. 25th. Joint service for all three churches. 10.00 am.
- (vii) December 30th. There will not be any local service. (Holy Cross only.)
- (viii) There are plans to have an annual Wedding Preparation Day. The first of these will probably be on January 26th.
- (ix) Jacqui has kindly agreed to produce a monthly News Sheet/Bulletin.

9. QUESTIONS ARISING FROM THE MONTH'S REPORTS.

There were no resulting questions. Pat reported that the Parish Council were aware of the poor state of the cemetery gates. Peter highlighted the legacy from Eileen Thorpe and reiterated that the amount of planned giving received has fallen.

10. SAFEGUARDING.

Becky is working on the actions highlighted in the Safeguarding Audit Report and trying to meet the deadlines which were set. She is also compiling a list of those who have undergone DBS checks and of those who have completed the Safeguarding training necessary for their role. Members will be advised as to how to obtain DBS clearance.

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11. AOB.

- (i) Robin Simmons of Daventry Choral Society has thanked the PCC for the use of the building and donated £200 in appreciation.
- (ii) Peter referred to the offer from Martin Hill of Midshire Business Systems of tickets for the Church Resource Exhibition.

12. **THE GRACE** The meeting closed when members shared The Grace at 9.19 pm (approx.)