

Minutes of PCC Meeting held in the Parish Room on 10/10/2018 at 7.45 p.m.

Mission/Ministry

Action

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

1. WELCOME AND WORSHIP.

Rev. Nat welcomed the members and led them in communion with a version, "Around the Table" from The Northumbrian Community Trust, in which hands, palms and fingers are used as an aid to concentration. Anne then chaired the rest of the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES These had been received from Rebecca Morgan.

3. FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP. The members enjoyed refreshments with their team spirit.

4. MINUTES – 12/09/18. Were accepted as proposed by John and seconded by Peter.

5. MATTERS ARISING NOT ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA.

5 (i) Research into suitable causes for charitable donations is not yet complete. ALL

5 (ii) The application for Your Cafe funds towards the establishment of a "toddler group" is progressing. NW

5 (iii) Pat has made enquiries as to the cost of an improved power supply in the ringing chamber and awaits a response. PM

7 Peter has fed back PCC comments on plans for the BVN to the Parish Council.

8(iii) Remembrance Sunday service arrangements are ongoing and third parties have been advised.

10. Administration of Safeguarding matters is ongoing. RM

6. FEEDBACK FOLLOWING THE HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE.

Nat thanked those who had helped to arrange facilities for the service and said that the atmosphere was good and feedback from the parishes had been very positive. She will send a "thank you" letter to the farm. It was said that, for the future, rain might be an issue, as the barn is rather exposed. NW

7. THANK YOU FROM SOPHIE CROSS.

Nat said that she had donated £100 from her fund to benefit Sophie Cross, who, along with her voyage on the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race, is also raising donations for the Scoliosis Association UK. Nat had received a letter of appreciation from Sophie, who plans to be the youngest woman to ever circumnavigate the globe.

8. SERMON SERIES FOR OCTOBER – Telling our stories.

Because we are running the "Life on the Front Line" course, we will not be using the lectionary readings during October. Nat wants people to tell their story, beginning with a talk on October 21st given by one or two members, about the PCC away day. This follows on from the discussions on the away day about delivering the story of how the PCC operates. On October 28th, John will be taking the service and he and Rene will be telling their story.

9. NAT'S NOTICES.

(i) Nat asked for a slot to be added to the Mission Meeting agenda to cover looking at the "values" agreed during the away day.

(ii) A meeting was planned for Monday for Nat, with Pat, Charles and John, to review the results of research into heating methods.

(iii) Nat asked the members to consider moving most church services to the village hall from December 2nd to the end of February, to avoid the cold climate. Christmas services would still be held in the church building. There will be a need to explain the plans to the congregation. Most members were in favour. Peter will enquire about the use of the library for Junior Church. He is asked to limit spending to £50 per Sunday for the use of three rooms.

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(iv) There is to be an hour long prayer vigil at 6pm from December 3rd to December 7th.

10. SAFEGUARDING.

The Safeguarding Officer was not present, but it is known that progress is being made.

11. ANY URGENT BUSINESS.

Not necessary.

12. CLOSING PRAYER AND THE GRACE.

Kim led closing prayers and the members shared The Grace at 9.15 pm. (approx.)