

**CARTMEL PENNISULA TEAM MINISTRY
ST PETER'S CHURCH FIELD BROUGHTON
PCC Meeting to be held on Thursday 26th March 2015 at 7.30pm
In the Parish Rooms**

Present: Mr J Hibbert (acting Chairman for meeting), Dr E Taylor, Mrs B Hibbert, Mrs J Slater, Mr M Slater and Mrs S Dean

Mrs B Hibbert led the opening prayers

1. Apologies Rev. N Devenish, Mrs V Dixon

2. Mission Action Plan

i) Feedback from Sunday 8th March.

There was an attendance in the region of 20 at the meeting held in Church, there were concerns expressed that communications about meeting hadn't reached everyone and that there also seemed to be some confusion amongst congregation on the Diocesan Strategy.

It was agreed that Mr J Hibbert would raise the matter at the APCM to explain proposed Parish Strategy and how it relates to Diocesan Strategy.

It was stated that the Diocese doesn't want smaller parishes to disappear when there are few priests but to adapt to situation and manage it themselves.

Diocesan Strategy

It was suggested that when we have a clear message regarding the future of the church we will write to everyone on Electoral Roll.

3. Minutes of Meeting held 12th January 2015 were approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising;-

i) Parochial Fees – same amount has been added to statutory fees as last year.

ii) Church Heating – After problems with the heating on Mothering Sunday there are now laminated instructions available eg if no churchwarden on duty or in event of power failure disrupting time clock.

It was agreed that in future heating needs to be on the night before a funeral.

5. Correspondence None

6. Finance

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented his annual report. The church is currently in a stable financial position. However the parish can't expect a diminishing congregation to keep the church open for the occasions they need it.

Mr J Hibbert thanked Dr E Taylor on behalf of PCC for his work in doing the accounts.

7. **Worship and Services**

i) Mother's Day Review

Miss B Frobisher helped prepare the posies for Mothering Sunday with Mrs J Slater. Mr B Crossley helped as sidesman. Next year we need to ensure adequate cover is available for service as there is a lot of preparation. Posies were also delivered in the parish after the service.

Palm Sunday – it was proposed if weather permitted to walk around church
St Peter's Day Organ Recital by Ian Paterson to take place on 4th July to celebrate St Peter's Day.

This year the service will be at Finsthwaite on Monday 29th June.

Harvest

Harvest Supper will take place on Friday 2nd October, discussion took place regarding a concert for the Saturday. The Harvest Service will take place on Sunday 4th October.

8. **APCM**

Refreshments for APCM – Mr and Mrs Hibbert providing wine and nibbles.

9. **Fabric**

- i) The Church cleaning has taken place, thanks were expressed to all those involved.
- ii) There is waterproofing needed to top of tower. Churchwardens to discuss further..
- iii) Iron frame work for bell needs painting **Action: quote to be obtained from Gary Porter by Dr E Taylor.**

10. **Churchyard**

i) **Annual Inspection of Churchyard** – this has taken place. It was agreed that the wall on main road side needs repair. Mr M Slater to obtain guide price from Mr Copeland and also an estimate of cost of repairing wall gap that has occurred in boundary wall at east side of churchyard.

ii) Quotation for grass-cutting

A quote of £220 per cut for 3 cuts was received from Nicola Smith, which was accepted by the PCC.

iii) Churchyard benches

Action:-Mr M Slater to ask Mr B Bowker if he is willing to re-stain the seat in memory of his wife.

A replacement seat for the Crossley seat was discussed - Mr M Slater to progress.

It was agreed that in future when a donation of a seat is received PCC will ask donor if they are willing to maintain it, and to make them aware that if it becomes unsafe a decision whether to retain the seat will be made by PCC.

iii) Grave Spoil

The dumping of rubble from graves near bottom gates was raised, it was agreed that this should not be used for the stone in future. Mr T Dixon to move some of the soil and rubble and tidy area.

11. Pastoral/ Community/ Outreach

Posies delivered after Mothering Sunday, new families have been visited, if anyone of someone who is ill or in hospital please let Mrs J Slater now.

12. Deanery/Diocese/Churches Together

Nothing to report

13. Team Council

Nothing further to points raised under Item 2.

14. Any Other Business

Concern was expressed over an article in Community news that had no name attached that may be assumed to be from Church.

Action:- Mr J Hibbert to write to Editor requesting incidental pieces say who wrote/provided them.

Meeting closed with the Grace at 9.45pm