

ST PETER'S CHURCH FIELD BROUGHTON

Minutes of PCC Meeting held on Monday 13th November 2017 at 7.30pm In the Village Hall, High Newton

Welcome and Prayers.

Rev N Devenish opened the meeting with prayers

1. Apologies

Mrs T Calway (Treasurer) sent apologies

2. Mission Action Plan

Response to Bishop James' recommendations as a way forward for the peninsula churches.

The Summary of the Findings and Recommendations of the Working Group for the Cartmel peninsula Team Ministry and the notes from the Meeting held on Friday 29th September at Grange Methodist Church Hall and other documents relating to Mission Communities have been circulated to the PCC.

Several issues were discussed prior to the formulation of a response;

- Future resourcing and staffing of the Grange church and the Leven Valley Benefice.
- Lack of information as to how Mission Communities will be funded.
- The need to have a fresh start – by dissolving the Team as soon as possible which then will allow the parishes to start working together and re- build links
- Further delays will prolong the discord and current situation is interfering with the spiritual life of all the congregations.

All PCC's of the Team were requested to send their responses to the

Recommendations to Archdeacon Vernon Ross by the 15th November 2017

A draft response was unanimously agreed at the PCC meeting, this will be finalised and circulated to the PCC for final approval before being sent by post to the Archdeacon.

Action:- Mr J Hibbert/ Mrs S Dean

3. Minutes of Meeting held 11th September 2017

The Minutes of 11th September were approved and signed.

4. Matters Arising;-

i) *Cartmel/Aynsome boundary.*

The issue involves future burials from the residents of Aynsome which is outside Field Broughton ecclesiastical parish but not in the civil parish of Cartmel which uses the Cartmel cemetery. This has been raised with parish council as an item that needs to be resolved; however there has been limited progress with current councillors.

5. Correspondence

i) Letter from Diocesan Pastoral Committee advising that the pastoral care of Lindale parish will be taken over by Grange parish.

ii) Letter and leaflet regarding safeguarding responsibilities of the PCC's was received from Revd Rachel Stavert, a Level 1 safeguarding course will take place on 31st January 2018 at 7pm at St Mary's Allithwaite, parishes are requested to submit list of those attending by 21st January.

6. Finance

- i) The Treasurer was unable to attend the meeting but had sent a summary of the Income and Expenditure accounts from July to end of September. There was nothing further report over the period.
- ii) Administration Expenses – following a meeting of Churchwardens of both parishes and Rev N Devenish on 26th September agreement over the handling of expenses has been reached, Cartmel will invoice Field Broughton at appropriate intervals. Access to Cartmel Priory photocopier will help with cost and production of service sheets etc.

7. Worship and Services

i) *Strategic Review of role of church in parish.*

Rev N Devenish has met with the Newton Village Hall Committee on 19th September and will meet with Friends of St Peter's.

Action: Rev N Devenish to contact Chair of Friends

ii) *Christmas*

Church will be decorated on Saturday 9th September; Christmas tree/tree of life will be put up and crib. Christingles will be prepared by Mrs V Dixon and helpers - it was agreed to make 50 Christingles.

iii) *Provision of music when no organist*

It was agreed to research purchasing a reliable, user friendly tablet which will stay in church and be ready to use for service music in event of there being no organist.

Mr J Hibbert to email Adrian Self for advice on sourcing recorded music for Matins.

Action: Mr J Hibbert/Mr B Crossley

iv) *Future special services and events*

Epiphany An Epiphany lunch will take place on Sunday 7th January, it was agreed to invite the retired clergy and organists.

Valentine's Day Service This will take place on 11th February, it is also a memorial service, Shrove Tuesday is on February 13th.

Palm Sunday - Sunday February 25th

March 8 -13th Moving Mountains Mrs B Hibbert suggested that we have a display in church with testimonials from the congregation on their faith journeys. On the Saturday there will be tea and cakes in church, weekend will finish with the Mothering Sunday service.

Action:- Mrs B Hibbert.

Mothering Sunday The service on Sunday 11th March will be a Common Worship service and also a memorial service, it was agreed to look at a shorter Iona style communion service.

Action; Rev N Devenish.

St Peter's Day This will be celebrated with an Open Day on Saturday 30th June.

Harvest Festival It was agreed to have Words and Music on the 6th October and the Harvest Service on Sunday 7th October

8. Fabric

i) Leadwork to windows

Mr J Hibbert has met with architect Mr P Grout and he has suggested an alternative way to solve the problem, this has been communicated to the builder and is ongoing.

ii) Alteration to main road gate – parking

After discussion with Mr P Grout it was agreed that this was impractical due to need for various permissions and alterations to make a safe entrance. The field adjoining the churchyard was in his opinion the best option. PCC will explore this further.

Action: Rev N Devenish/Mr J Hibbert

iii) Repairs to buttress/sapling

Action will be taken to kill the sapling with appropriate solution, then any repairs will be undertaken.

Action; Mr J Hibbert/Mr M Slater.

iv) Pointing

Lime mortar pointing will be postponed till next spring as it can only be used above a certain temperature.

9. Churchyard

i) Weed killing of French drain.

Action: Mrs S Dean to speak to Mrs N Smith.

10. Pastoral/ Community/ Outreach/ Digital updates

i) Remembrance 2018

Monthly commemoration for 12 parishioners who lost their lives in First World War are in hand. The first one was very successful and attended by relatives. Thanks were expressed to Mr B Crossley for his research into Mr T Benson.

ii) Pastoral Report

This has been received from Mrs J Slater and was read to PCC, copy will be filed with minutes.

iii) Community Events/Special services - See Item 7 above.

11. Deanery,

At deanery synod the diocesan stewardship officer made a presentation asking parishes to consider their financial giving.

Diocese, Churches Together.

Nothing to report

12 AOB

Parish Rooms update. The Friends of St Peter's have been in contact with Mr R Oram who has kindly said he is prepared to take on the project of looking in to what can be done to make the Parish Rooms fit for the 21st century. A meeting is planned to start looking at possible ways forward.

The meeting closed with The Grace.