

ST PETER'S CHURCH FIELD BROUGHTON

PCC Meeting held on Thursday 8th November 2018 at 7.30pm In the Parish Rooms, Field Broughton MINUTES

Welcome and Prayers.

Rev N Devenish opened the meeting with prayers.

1. Apologies

Mrs V Dixon and Mrs T Calway (Treasurer).

2. Moving forward

Rev N Devenish had nothing to add at this stage.

The Churchwardens, Mr B Crossley and Mr J Hibbert (together with the Cartmel Churchwardens) are going to a mediation meeting convened by 'Place for Hope' on November 9th. This is the first stage of the reconciliation process between Cartmel / Field Broughton and the rest of the parishes on the peninsula.

It was agreed to move this item, in future it will follow Matters Arising.

3. Minutes of Meeting held 10th September 2018

The Minutes of the meeting were approved and signed as a correct record.

4. Matters Arising:-

i) **Website** – this is an ongoing project and in future any developments will be raised under Item 10 of the Agenda under digital updates.

ii) Pew Carpets

It was agreed that Mrs V Richardson and Mr B Crossley would look at costing replacements runners for the pews.

iii) **Safe Guarding Policy** – Mrs B Hibbert has put another copy on main Church Notice Board and Mr B Crossley has put it on website.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Finance

i) Finance report for September and October

This has been circulated prior to meeting and was taken as read due to absence of Treasurer due to illness.

Mrs T Calway is to send out letter to individuals advising them of how much they have donated this year and thanking them for their donations.

ii) Ways to increase income

It was agreed to do a short Stewardship programme in Lent: a letter will be sent out to the Electoral Roll, Rev N Devenish will include item in the insert in the Parish Magazine and it will be communicated to the wider community by the email list. Other possible outlets are: The Quarterly Community News and Grange Now.

Stewardship programme will begin on Sunday 10th March (start of Lent) continuing on 17th and 24th March.

Mothering Sunday 31st March.

Sunday 7th April - there will be a follow up to stewardship.

Palm Sunday 14th April

Easter Sunday 21st April – conclusion of Stewardship.

It was felt that it needs communicating that St Peter's church receives no funding from external sources. E.g. Government/ Diocese and also that the church is kept going by the time and money given by just a small group of parishioners.

One suggested slogan was: '*Buy a pint for St Peter*' - the idea being that if several people give regular small donations it will help keep church going.

It was agreed that Churchwardens will include a breakdown of the fees for burials and weddings in the initial discussion of arrangements for these services, and add this information to the information sheet.

*** Date for PCC Meeting for 6th March needs changing at next meeting as it is Ash Wednesday. Also room booking will need changing.**

iii) Donation to World Community for Christian Meditation

It was agreed to make a donation of £50 to WCCM as they have provided materials and support to our meditation group free of charge.

Proposed Mrs V Richardson and seconded by Mr J Hibbert.

Action:- Mrs T Calway to make payment.

It was agreed to review how the meditation sessions are going on Tuesday 24th November after meditation and also to discuss this with the congregation.

7. Worship and Services

i) Dates for Christmas services in Minutes from September meeting.

ii) Collections

All monies collected in Church have to go through Church Books to comply with accounting guidelines.

Where the collection at a special service is for a charity the total value collected (i.e. both cash and regular envelopes) will be paid to the charity by the Treasurer. For Children's Society the Gift Aid will be included as in previous year.

The 'charity collections' will be distributed as follows:

Remembrance Service is for the British Legion.

Christingle Service is for the Children's Society.

Christmas Day is for Derian House.

This will be explained in the pew notice at beginning of Advent.

Action:- Mr B Crossley

iii) Services

The Valentines Service will take place on Sunday 17th February.

Dates for other Services up to Easter are as above.

8. Fabric

i) Repairs to buttress – tree has been weed killed, when tree has died the buttress will be re-pointed. Some outside pointing has been done.

ii) Coffee machine – it was discussed but decided it wasn't a workable proposition.

9. Churchyard

Concerns were raised over condition of a tree that is dying but is planted on a grave. It was agreed to attach a note to the tree in the hope that when family visit at Christmas they would see note and respond. We do not want to take down tree without consulting family.

Top gate on to lane is being regularly left open.

Action:- Mr J Hibbert to source a 'Please close the Gate' sign.

10. Pastoral/ Community/ Outreach/ Digital updates

i) Parish Rooms

Works have been done by Committee to improve appearance and safety and it looks much improved.

ii) Pastoral/Community

Christmas invitation and thank you cards will be sent out to those who help with church from the PCC .

They will be tailored as appropriate e.g. to flower helpers, churchyard volunteers

Action:- Mr J Hibbert and Mr B Crossley though will need lists

Note; Mrs J Slater already sends Christmas cards to flower arrangers and Mrs S Dean and Mr J Sowerby send cards to churchyard helpers. It was agreed that a second card from the churchwardens or PCC would not go amiss.

Epiphany Lunch – Invites will be given to clergy and organists (and their) wives.

Youth Work

There is question over the future funding of the Deanery Network Youth Minister. The Team Council put money aside for youth work several years ago we understand it has never been asked for it and has held it on account. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Team Treasurer.

Action:- ?

11. Diocese & Deanery

Mrs B Hibbert is representative for Diocesan Synod and also Deanery Synod .

Mrs B Hibbert has finished her 3rd term of office as the PCC's governor for Leven Valley School. The PCC thanked her for the 12 years of service as a governor.

Mr B Crossley has agreed to take over the role, this was proposed by Mr J Hibbert and seconded by Mrs B Hibbert and agreed unanimously.

12 Churches Together.

There is to be a Nativity in Grange on 22nd December 2-4pm organised by the URC and Methodists, Field Broughton has provided volunteer readers and street marshals. The Churches Together Carol Service at Boarbank 2nd December at 3.30pm.

Mrs T Calway and Sue Nicole are now joint chairs of CT and they have now found a secretary and IT person and reps from different denominations

13. AOB

i) Cartmel Peninsula Senior Friendship Club – brief outline given to meeting as Mrs T Calway was absent due to illness (Item for next agenda).

ii) Church Cleaning – This will take place on Saturday 1st December from 10.00am. Put in pew sheet etc.

Meeting closed at 9.05pm with The Grace.

Next meeting is 17th January at High Newton Village Hall 7.30pm