

## MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2012 AT 7.30pm at the Vicarage

**Present:** Fr Mike, Linda Wainwright (Churchwarden), Dick Handy (Churchwarden), Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Candy Williams (Deanery Synod), Rachel Palmer, Abi Morgan, Sheilah Hall, Sandra Hewett, Carol McKells, Colin Monk, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer), Jane Cook (Secretary)

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| 1. | <p><b>Apologies for absence:</b><br/>Tony Rice-Oxley, Pat Mitchell (Charities Treasurer), Anne Morgan, Geoff Davies</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                   |
| 2. | <p><b>Minutes of last PCC meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November</b><br/>The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                   |
| 3. | <p><b>Matters Arising</b><br/>Page 1, Item 3 – Anne is looking for a small surplice.<br/>Page 1, Item 4 – Microphone – the man from Technical Services came and as he walked into the church it made an awful noise. It was one of the radio microphones that Fr Mike uses. He has taken it away but Tony and Dick were also there and it was agreed that we need to buy a new microphone. Gave him authority to get it if it was up to £250 and he will contact Tony when he has it.<br/>Page 2, Item 4c) – comes up under F&amp;F<br/>Page 3, Item 9 – Youth Club account has been closed<br/>Page 4, Item 11 – Wheelchair. Item went in the Bulletin but there was no response. Barbie will ask how much it is to buy one from the Mobility Shop.<br/>Page 4, Item 11 – Coffin stands. Colin found some but they were very low so will talk to the carpenter who did the porch to see if he can make some higher ones. Dick will contact him.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>Anne</p> <p>Tony</p> <p>Barbie</p> <p>Dick</p> |
| 4. | <p><b>Church Finances</b></p> <p>a) <b>Treasurer's Report</b><br/>Dawn gave the following report:</p> <p><u>Income</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have received Gift Aid for Quarter 3 of £2159.60</li> <li>• Donations include money donated, half the collection at two baptisms and £83 for the hire of the church</li> <li>• Fundraising includes £1426.70 from the auction and £350 from the barn dance</li> <li>• Extraordinary income is £329.21 for the alter cloth paid for by a member of the congregation, £130 from the film club for the video licence, £520 from the insurance company in respect of the claim for the porch ledge and £165.64 received from the Sunday school when their Nationwide account was closed. All expenditure for Sunday school will now go through the main church account.</li> </ul> <p><u>Expenditure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We have once again made our full payment in respect of the parish share</li> <li>• Admin is over budget because of the expenditure incurred in setting up the sacristy as an office</li> <li>• Church maintenance includes £240 to Highfield Plumbing for</li> </ul> |                                                   |

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servicing the appliances in the church and church hall, £55 in respect of the microphones, £16.50 on light bulbs, and £70 spent on sorting the wooden doors out so they will open properly in the case of fire.

- Fundraising costs was the floats for the bazaar and the lottery licence.
- Extraordinary expenditure was the money paid out for the repair of the porch ledge
- QQ expenditure was the invoice received from the structural engineer for work carried out on the choir balcony.

Fr Mike thanked everyone involved in the Christmas Bazaar and Dawn said she is still receiving donations.

b) **Charities Treasurer's Report**

£100 sent to Christian Aid for the Gaza and Middle East Emergency Fund from Wednesday coffee mornings. Dawn said she today banked £136.92 from the retiring collection for November for Naomi House.

c) **Fabric and Finance Committee Report**

Not met but Dick has been in touch with the Architect. Came to church a week ago to do some drilling in the gallery. His current design is good but 200mm bolts will be needed to fill the gap they found when they drilled down. B&M Clark quote to be obtained. He also looked at the painting to be done. Given a verbal schedule, work to commence week after Easter and be finished before the Music Festival, about 6 weeks. Need a Faculty in place to do it but need prices first. We are challenging the Structural Engineer's costs of £409. With regard to the Architect's costs he has agreed not to charge all the hours he has worked but will wait and then charge a mutually agreed figure. The quote from B&M Clark to put up scaffolding was £250 but they didn't put up scaffolding and only used hand drills in the end so we will challenge this amount.

F&F

5. **Pastoral Committee Report**

Minutes from 19<sup>th</sup> November have already been circulated.

- Sunday School programme up until Easter has been organised by Lynn and Anne so very grateful for their efforts. Concern over Sunday School teams and continuity but this is coming together now. The success of all these groups depends on the reliability of the people on the rota to turn up on the agreed dates.
- Because of the redecoration of the hall we have changed the date of the Parish Breakfast to 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- Disappointing response to the request for more baptism visitors.
- Naomi House service very successful, the church was packed, choir provided "The Downland Singers". Drinks afterwards. It is hoped that this will be an annual event. If so if was suggested that the Naomi House retiring collection take place before the service so we can present them with a cheque.
- Some of the Nativity clothes made by Dawn Hyett last year seem to have gone missing. Fr Mike will send an e-mail out to see if anyone borrowed them.

All

Fr Mike

6. **Hall Committee Report**

Meeting took place on 6<sup>th</sup> December – Jane to circulate minutes.

- Problem with vagrants around the hall – Tony spoken to Crime

Jane

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Tony

- Prevention who advise users to phone 101 if they have problems.
- Fire Alarms – Tony trying to contact Peter Sadler re requirements for the hall.
- Internal decoration of the hall will commence on 3<sup>rd</sup> January. There will be a Working Party on 2<sup>nd</sup> January to move things and tidy it up. Tony has the schedule. Hall will be closed for about 2 weeks and should be ready for the first meeting of the Youth Club on 13<sup>th</sup> January. The Dancers have said they would like to use the church on 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> and have asked if we can move some pews. Slimming World would like to use the church on 8<sup>th</sup>. Gerry Shimbart has agreed to re-open the Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> February with Cheese and Wine.
- Vacuum cleaner has gone missing belonging to the Cleaning Co. The dancers use the back door and it is possible somebody entered and took the vacuum during their session. It was agreed the lock on this door should be changed and no keys issued. A lock has been put on the cupboard by the gents for them to lock up their equipment in future. Fr Mike said Jaye Warren will need a kev to the front door.
- There is still one hire charge outstanding.

Colin

### 7. **Other Committee Reports**

- a) **Social**  
Not met
- b) **Fundraising**  
Not met

### 8. **Deanery Synod Report**

Barbie will send out the minutes when they come through but she advised the PCC of what had taken place. There was a presentation on Haslar Visitors Group by Bob Thomas and also a presentation by Christian Aid. Also discussion on Women Bishops.

Barbie

### 9. **Update on Future of Partnership Ministry**

At the last Clergy meeting they were informed that Purbrook will be interviewing for a half time priest and Crookhorn for a full time one. Crookhorn and Portsdown will help out at St John's as well and Tim Wood, the non stipendiary priest who is at St John's at the moment will be staying. There is definitely a primary school being built on the new estate and the Diocese has put in a bid for it to be a church school. A decision should have been made by 6<sup>th</sup> December but so far this has not happened.

- 10. a) **Statues** – last January the PCC agreed to trial moving the statues of George and Mary and the Icon to their new positions. No-one had received any unfavourable comments since and it was therefore proposed that we make these moves permanent. This was proposed by Barbie and seconded by Abi and agreed unanimously.
- b) **Pentecost** – Fr Mike handed out booklets for people to read. It will take place on the weekend of 17-19 May. On the Saturday every parish has been asked to do something that is needed in the parish. St Faiths Havant will be inviting the market people to a party, St Albans are having a tea party for the old people and Rowlands Castle are having a hog roast for the village. On Sunday tea time there will be a Deanery event for every parish to attend. This will be discussed at the next PCC

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meeting once people have had a chance to think about it and suggestions will be followed up by the Pastoral Committee.

11.

**Correspondence**

Fr Mike read out a nice letter which had been received from the Cantamus Choir following their concert on 17<sup>th</sup> November, together with a cheque for £83.

12.

**Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013** in church following the 7.30 pm Eucharist. Please note the February meeting date has changed to **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February**.

All

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.