

**MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN CHURCH
ON WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019 AT 8.00pm IN CHURCH
FOLLOWING THE 7.30 pm EUCHARIST**

Present: Chris Gadd (Churchwarden)(Chair), John Hood (Churchwarden), Fr Colin Lawlor, Barbie Lloyd (Deanery Synod), Anne Morgan, Ian Gibson, Mo Peters, Sara Pask, Jane Cook (Secretary)

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	<p>Opening Prayer – Sara read the Leading your Church into Growth Prayer.</p> <p>Chris repeated what he had said at the last meeting and also in his email to PCC that he doesn't want sub-committee chairs to repeat everything that was said in their minutes if they have already been circulated to everyone before the meeting. Chairs should just relay anything new since the minutes and ask if anyone has any questions.</p> <p>Chris quoted from the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 which states that the general function of the PCC is to consult together on matters of general concern and importance to the parish, promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.</p>	
1.	<p>Apologies for absence: Lisa Toft, Lesley Handy, Sandra Hewett, Malcolm Brewer, Marian Haughton</p> <p>Did not attend: Candy Williams (Deanery Synod) Dawn Trimby (Treasurer) – not in attendance as agreed</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes of last PCC meeting on 22nd May Sara pointed out that we had not appointed John Hood as Vice Chair of the PCC – Page 2, Item 5c). This was duly done, proposed by Jane Cook, seconded by Anne Morgan and agreed unanimously. The minutes were then signed as a true and accurate record.</p>	JC
3.	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p><u>Page 1, Item 4</u> – Albs – Anne said the situation has not changed. The albs are out of stock at the moment so even the people who offered to buy their own are not currently able to. It was agreed to take this item off the agenda and Anne will let us know when there is further news.</p> <p><u>Page 1, Item 4</u> – Health and Safety Policy file for church. John to talk to the surveyor about this.</p> <p><u>Page 1, Item 4</u> – Charity money for St Mary Axim. Chris promised to talk to Lynne McNeill before the next PCC meeting.</p> <p><u>Page 2, Item 4</u> – Policy for Garden of Remembrance – Chris – still ongoing.</p> <p><u>Page 2, Item 4</u> – Noticeboard – John said we need to get a piece of matching colour to attach over the number on the board with the Parish Office details on it.</p> <p><u>Page 3, Item 7</u> – Barbie said as Fr Colin can go to any of the sub-committees he should have 'Chair' in brackets after his name on the Mission and Stewardship Sub Committee. Jane confirmed that she had sent Lesley the PCC Membership list to go on the Noticeboard at the back of church and this list has Fr Colin (Chair) on it.</p> <p><u>Page 4, Item 8a</u> – Jane confirmed that she had emailed Dawn's figures to the whole new PCC so Dawn had the email addresses of the new</p>	<p>CG</p> <p>CG</p> <p>JH</p>

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		members for future use.	
4.	a)	Charity Treasurer's Report	
		<p>Jane read out the figures for January provided by Lynne McNeill, Charity Treasurer, as follows:</p> <p>£110.29 was collected for The New Blendworth Centre during May and £286.80 was collected for the Bishop's Lent Appeal.</p> <p>Fr Colin said that it is Sea Sunday in June and asked if next year we could have the June charity as Mission for Seafarers. Jane to ask Lynne McNeill to put this on her list as the charity for next June.</p>	JC
	b)	Treasurer's Report	
		<p>Chris said there was no need to read out Dawn's report (below) as this appears under Item 7 of the F&F minutes of 5th June which have already been circulated to everyone.</p> <p><u>Income</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donations include £45.86 taken from the porch safe • Liturgical donations include £75 for the paschal candle and the remaining amount is from liturgical donations • Fundraising is made up of £29.80 from the sale of jams, £16.31 from the collection tins in the fruit and veg shop and post office and £37 from the sale of Easter cakes • Bookstall income is from the Bible reading fellowship • Extra-ordinary income is parish lunch tickets purchased by credit card <p><u>Expenditure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water looks like it is over budget at the moment but some of this expenditure relates to the vicarage, Once I have the 2018 expenditure file back I can check the direct debit invoices and correct this • Admin includes the purchase of green envelopes £49.98 and membership to the Association of Church Treasurer £15 • Church maintenance was paid to Eric Jackson • Liturgical costs were for the donkey and candles • Extraordinary expenses is the payment of the money taken for the parish lunch by credit card transferred to the social committee. <p>Jane presented a cheque from Tony Rice-Oxley, Treasurer of Waterlooville Music Festival for £3,500 for the hire of the church as the venue for the Festival. Jane was asked to pass this on to Malcolm for banking.</p>	JC
	c)	Fabric, Finance and Quinquennial Committee Report	
		<p>The minutes of the F&F Committee held on Wednesday 5th June have already been circulated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John said there is concern about church security. People are getting very lax about locking the door into the church from the vestry. Not feasible to put a self-locking catch on it so need to impress on people the importance of locking it. • CCTV notices need to go on the outside of the choir vestry door. Ian said he has some small stick on CCTV signs which might do the job. • Need to generate more income as this is a serious matter. Sara advised about Easy Fundraising which they had in her last church 	IG/JH

		<p>which you sign up to and get money for the church when you order things online. Ask people to bring in their old mobile phones which we can send off and get cash for. Chris said Txt Giving is another thing we could do. This is recognised by the Church of England. The church would set it up and make it easier for people to donate if they wish. Barbie expressed concern about people donating and then getting lots of spam. It was suggested the PCC try it out first by donating £5 and waiting to see if they get spammed. Chris said he would set it up and let PCC know so they can try it.</p>	<p><u>ACTION</u></p> <p>CG</p>
5.		Other Committee Reports	
	a)	Hall Committee	
		<p>Minutes of the Church Hall Committee held on Wednesday 5th June have already been circulated.</p> <p>Ian said he was appointed as chair for a year at this meeting but people who were active members have agreed to be co-opted onto the Committee so will be able to advise him. The main item was the replacement of the Hall kitchen roof and Mr Lympny will attend the next meeting to tell us what is happening and what we need to do to prepare.</p>	
	b)	Social and Fundraising Committee	
		Not met.	
	c)	Pastoral Committee	
		Minutes of the Pastoral Committee held on Tuesday 4 th June have already been circulated. Meet again on Sunday but Anne cannot attend.	
	d)	Safeguarding Report	
		The Safeguarding Report from Sonja dated 19 th June has already been circulated. There were no questions.	
6.		Deanery Synod Report	
		Meeting is next week.	
7.		My Faith Journey	
		<p>Chris said he has heard a few slightly worrying things about this. He explained that nobody is being judged. It will happen in this very safe environment with a view to supporting each other and feeling confident about talking about our faith. There have been a few concerned emails about this. Nobody is being forced to do this. It is not a judgement issue at all. 2 minutes each on how it was you came to faith, how you came to St George's and what keeps you here. The aim is to give people the encouragement to talk about our faith to other people. Fr Colin and Chris had agreed to be the first. Fr Colin started and told his story followed by Chris. The PCC appreciated how interesting this was.</p> <p>Chris asked for 2 people to do it next time and Mo and Anne volunteered.</p>	MP/AM
8.		St George's 50th Anniversary	
		Fr Colin would like us to do something or a series of things next year to celebrate the 50 th Anniversary. Jane said she would try and find some information on what we did for the 40 th Anniversary which was organised by Fr Timon for the next meeting. People were asked to come up with ideas. Fr Colin suggested we book the Bishop quite soon	JC ALL CL

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		for a service sometime during the 50 th year.	
9.		Mission	
		The paper Fr Colin circulated to the PCC is on how to put a Mission Action Plan together. The sub-committee have met once and looked at it. Need to think as a group where we have come from, where we are now and where we want to be. Hope the wider community will get involved. We need resources in order to build this church community. Mo said she has only been in the area 3 years and asked if there is any data about the people who come to church, how long and whether they still come. John said there is a lot of information from Havant Borough Council in the Parish Profile and Chris sent it to Jane to circulate to everyone.	JC
10.		Update by Fr Colin	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Somebody has emailed me to say they are concerned because new people are left to sit on their own in the hall. The PCC disagreed and said they felt St George's was a very welcoming church and we do our best to talk to people both in church and in the hall. Need to make sure we keep this up. • Ascension Day – I was delighted it was so well attended - thank you to everyone for coming. • There have been a lot of funerals over the last month or so, including some very key members of the church. • Fete – shame about the weather but still did extremely well. • First Waterlooville Music Festival and I thoroughly enjoyed it and have had some fantastic comments. • Looking ahead I have invited the Scouts to Remembrance Sunday. • Trafalgar Day – RNA hoping to come but not heard anything recently. • Christmas schools concerts – emails have been sent to schools and have already had some replies. 	
11.		Correspondence	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fr Colin said he has received a letter from the Bishop of Burnley about support for parishes with more than 500 homes which are social housing. This may not be appropriate to us. 	
12.		Date of Next PCC Meeting	
		Monday 22 nd July at 8.00pm following 7.30pm Eucharist. Chris said he will not be here and John will chair the meeting.	ALL
		Closing Prayer There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.	