

## CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, HENLEAZE



Lives transformed through following Christ in love and service

### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017

<b>Ex-Officio Members</b>	
<b>Clergy</b>	
The Revd Canon Mark Pilgrim	Present
The Revd Iain McColl	Present
<b>Lay Ministers</b>	
Ian Love	Apologies
Sarah Thomas	Present
Kathy Kilgour	Apologies
<b>Churchwardens</b>	
David Cottrell	Present
Moira McMurran	Present
<b>2014 Deanery Synod Reps</b>	
[Kathy Kilgour]	[Apologies]
[David Cottrell]	[Present]
Sarah Thorne	Present
(vacancy)	

	<b>Elected Members</b>	
<b>2017</b>	Emma Bolton	Present
	David Fenna (Treasurer)	Present
	Alistair Robinson	Present
	Ricky Winn	Present
	Jane Crawford	Present
<b>2016</b>	Mary Goronwy	Present
	Catherine Leask	Present
	Wendy Young	Present
	Mike Leddra	Present
	(vacancy)	
<b>2015</b>	Peter Dyer	Present
	Sandy Hollinghurst	Present
	Judy Winn	Present
	Erik Dirdal (Secretary)	Present

Attendance 19 / 21 = 90%

**Note:** The required quorum for the meeting is one third of the members, i.e. 7.

**Observers:**

None

The meeting was chaired by the Vicar.

**1. Reflection and Prayer**

Pete Dyer led with prayers around the altar.

## 2. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Kathy Kilgour and Ian Love.

## 3. Minutes of the last meeting

Following a small adjustment to AOB in the draft version, the minutes of the meeting of 21/09/17 were accepted, and signed by the chair.

## 4. Matters Arising

None

## 5. Standing Committee Report

The Standing Committee has met recently and minutes will be circulated for the next PCC meeting.

## 6. Planning Team Report

### 6.1 HeartEdge

**Resolution:** *“That St Peters offers a donation of £50 to HeartEdge and becomes a member of the initiative”.*

Proposed by Mark Pilgrim

Seconded by David Cottrell

The resolution was carried unanimously.

### 6.2 Parish weekend

David Cottrell has researched possible venues for a Parish Weekend.

Lindors Country House in the Forest of Dean can accommodate up to 70no. for 7-9 September.

Friday meal, Saturday full board, and Sunday breakfast & lunch comes to £146 for adults with tiered discounts for minors and juniors. This does not include programmes.

David C is to formulate a proposal. DC

## 7. Worship Ministry

### 7.1 The 9.45am service

Comments and feedback have been received from a few people.

There has been a great response for the Christmas Carol Concert choir.

MP has created role descriptions for Organist and for Choir Director.

Recruiting for these roles has proven to be challenging and everyone is encouraged to use their networks.

The PCC is to help communicate this to the congregation and to potential sources of candidates.

Feedback suggests the following

- that generally people want to have the choir
- more flexibility could be good to include other styles of music on an occasional basis
- that the congregation are welcome to comment or suggest candidates
- that the PCC better communicates its intentions
- that Reg’s dedicated service should be commemorated in some way

On this last point the vicar is to ask Reg whether he would like this. MP

## 7.2 Horizon consultation

Horizon will need a new phase in 2018 as the current programme comes to a conclusion. New sources of material will be required, for example Scripture Union Splash. MP is to lead, resources permitting.

## 7.3 The admission of baptised to communion

The question was raised as to whether we should allow all baptised children to receive communion. Officially we would have to go through a process with the diocese before doing so. Iain is to establish the details of this process. IMcC

Views were expressed as to the appropriate age-range and the need to avoid undermining the reverency of communion. Parents should also be consulted.

This is to be considered further.

## 8. Discipleship Ministry

### 8.1 The Creed

The response to this programme has been excellent.

### 8.2 Developing disciples in 2018

A Lent programme is being constructed.

“The Happiness Lab” is a series of 6 sessions aimed at non-church attenders, and particularly those with mental health issues.

### 8.3 Whole-life discipleship

The next meeting is Spirituality for the Front Line on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

The February meeting is aimed at House Group attenders.

## 9. Refreshments

## 10. Treasurer

Refer to report.

The Church building budget is set at c£13,000 with an uplift of 5% on last year.

The education budget includes an allowance for a Youth Worker.

For Outreach income, there is no Quiz planned for next year as it will be moved to Burns Night (Jan '19) instead.

However as feedback from Ale and Arty delivers improvement year on year, hopefully it will deliver even greater results in 2018.

Outreach revenue for 2017 has far exceeded the target. The Treasurer's report includes a proposal for its distribution.

**Resolution:** *“That St Peters distributes Outreach monies in accordance with the table included with the treasurer's report”.*

Proposed by David Fenna

Seconded by Moira McMurrin  
The resolution was carried unanimously.

Digital Giving (e.g. donating by SMS text message) is not yet being exploited. This will be looked into again next year.

## **11. Youth Ministry**

### 11.1 Youth Worker

The search for a Youth Worker continues. MP has sent an invitation to a potential candidate.

### 11.2 Safeguarding Sunday review

Sandy is to report later.

## **12. Site Committee**

### 12.1 Young Seekers

With Young Seekers being sub-divided into four groups it is proposed to use additional space, such as the old parish office, in order to create a suitable environment for each group.

New leads are requested to connect the laptop to the AV system. This can come from the normal YS budget.

### 12.2 South-east porch

The south-east porch needs to be cleared in order to function as an emergency exit. However no furniture can be removed without a faculty.

## **13. Social & Outreach Ministry**

### 13.1 Fundraising initiatives

Those who wish to raise money for particular causes could consider devising an event (Pancake Day supper, for example) with the support of SPH.

### 13.2 Ale & Arty 2018

Next year's event will be held on 20/10/18. It is proposed to use the hall as well. Instead of a BBQ, hot food would be available from the kitchen.

## **14. Safe & Welcome**

New draft policy for Safer Recruitment was presented by Sandy. It is proposed to roll this out to new applications. To some extent it can also be applied retrospectively to previous applications.

The rules could be difficult to apply to ad hoc visitors.

This is to be considered and discussed again.

The requirements for the Gold Award are to be consulted SH.

**Resolution:** *“That the draft policies for Safer Recruitment and Lone Working are adopted by St Peters henceforth”.*

Proposed by Moira McMurrin  
Seconded by Emma Bolton  
The resolution was carried unanimously.

## 15. Uganda

Financial support is requested to assist refugees who have fled Southern Sudan to Northern Uganda. Rather than hold a collection it is suggested to host a lunch during Lent whereby some slides could be shown with a guest speaker.

With regards to education, some of the students struggle to grasp more advanced theological texts. A request for ideas to source simpler texts was made.

## 16. AOB

Trolley donations for Sisters of the Church – Tracey Henniker and Mike Leddra have kindly offered to take the trolley every 4 weeks or so.

Lighting in the car park was thought to be poor, and absent once switched off from inside the church. This is to be reviewed by the site committee. PD/DC

Newslink – feedback is requested, to David Cottrell.

## 17. Prayer and depart

The meeting was concluded with a prayer offered by the Vicar.

The next PCC meeting is on **Thur 25th January** at 7.30pm, in the church.

*Next Planning Committee meeting is on 11/01/18, thence on 07/03/18.*

*These minutes issued, with a request for reports, by the PCC Secretary by 11/01/18*

*Reports to be returned to PCC Secretary by 17/01/18*

*Agenda and reports to be issued to PCC on 18/01/18*

*Forthcoming PCC meetings (All commence in the church at 7.30pm):*

*Thur 25/01/18*

*Tue 20/03/18*

*APCM: Sun 29/04/18.*