

## CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, HENLEAZE



Lives transformed through following Christ in love and service

### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

#### Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 22 November 2018

<b>Ex-Officio Members</b>	
<b>Clergy</b>	
The Revd Canon Mark Pilgrim	Present
<b>Lay Ministers</b>	
Ian Love	Apologies
Sarah Thomas	Present
Kathy Kilgour	Present
<b>Churchwardens</b>	
David Cottrell	Present
Lindsey Traub	Present
<b>Deanery Synod Reps</b>	
[Kathy Kilgour]	[Present]
[David Cottrell]	[Present]
Sarah Thorne	Apologies
(vacancy)	-
<b>Diocesan Synod Reps</b>	
Hazel Rolston	Apologies
Julian Clover	Apologies
[Sarah Thorne]	[Apologies]

	<b>Elected Members</b>	
<b>2018</b>	Jane Boyle	Apologies
	Valerie Bishop	Present
	Peter Dyer	Present
	Erik Dirdal	Present
	Leah Emery	Present
<b>2017</b>	Emma Bolton	Apologies
	David Fenna (Treasurer)	Present
	Alistair Robinson	Present
	Moira McMurrans*	Apologies
	Jane Crawford	Present
<b>2016</b>	Mary Goronwy	Present
	Catherine Leask	Apologies
	Wendy Young	Present
	Mike Leddra	Present
	Sandy Hollinghurst*	Present

\*fulfilling casual vacancy 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
Secretary : Katharine Ford

Attendance 16 / 24 = 66%

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

The meeting was chaired by the Vicar.

#### 1 Worship and Welcome

The Vicar led a time of quiet as we prayed for God's guiding in our forthcoming decision about the future of the Sunday afternoon Horizon service,

#### 2. Apologies for absence :

Hazel Rolston, Sarah Thorne, Jane Boyle, Emma Bolton, Moira McMurrans, Catherine Leask.

**3. Minutes of the last meeting** These were agreed.

**4. Matters Arising** There were none.

**5. Standing Committee Report** There was no current report.

**6. Planning Team Report : report circulated**

The Planning Team report covered :

How to respond to low attendance at Horizon, PCC Appointments, Fuelling the Fires of Faith, Discipleship Groups, Culture of Invitation, and HeartEdge . (See agenda items 7 and 8 following.)

It was agreed that our subscription to HeartEdge should be renewed, and this has now been done : the Vicar said that in future the HeartEdge mailings will be forwarded on to the Planning Team, to be cascaded and details publicised.

**7. Worship Ministry : report on Horizon circulated**

1. The Vicar announced that St Peter's has put in a bid to the Diocese to hold a Confirmation Service in 2019 ; he hopes that some of the young people at Youth Alpha may wish to be confirmed, as well as adults.

2. Horizon

We looked at the SWOT analysis and the Review frame, which were useful tools to try to work out the pros and cons facing us – in particular, the question For whom is it difficult, and for whom easy, to run this service? Various points arose in the discussion :

- Work out why numbers have fallen. This has happened partly because of families moving away, including the McColls. It may also have been that some felt that there was not much for the adults.
- Look at advantages in feeding children into Young Seekers, with more helpers on the YS rotas.
- Bring back Teddy Praise on a weekday morning : this might meet some needs. Kathy would consider this.

The options for the future of Horizon have been given much thought, and prayer, and time to try out new approaches. The Vicar accepted the general endorsement of the decision to bring Horizon to an end at Christmas and to encourage children to come along to the groups at 9.45, and to special services at Christmas and beyond. He will take the necessary steps.

3. More sidespeople are needed, particularly to assist with the administration of Holy Communion, as there has not been enough response to requests for help. It was agreed that we could manage communion now by asking all the congregation to go to the main altar, and this will be adopted.
4. It was suggested that the Christmas Midnight Service be held in the Lady Chapel ; it seats 32 and provided this fits with the numbers for 2017, it was felt this would create more togetherness than using the nave. In the event of the Lady Chapel being too small for the projected numbers, thought will be given to configuring the main body of the church in an appropriate way.

**8. Discipleship Ministry : reports circulated**

1. St Peter's Groups 2019

Kathy introduced her report on Discipleship Groups and suggested holding a "Fair" after the 9.45 service in the New Year, aimed at encouraging everyone to consider becoming part of a small group, and to be involved in something in church. It was suggested these could be called Key Groups : ideas to Kathy.

2. Updates

Faith in Action / Henleaze Hospitality : a refugee family are expected to arrive on 11<sup>th</sup> December and Sandy and David will mobilise the volunteers.

Faith Seeking Understanding : This course has now reached its fourth session, though with a lower

attendance than last year.

Faith in Silence : Mary will shortly be putting out details in church of possible dates for retreats/day retreats next year at LLangasty Retreat House.

Faith in Culture : this is not currently active but could benefit from a Key Groups initiative. The Vicar recommended a book, "Take This Bread", which would work well within a book group.

Faith in Community : Ale and Arty was a great success - the amount raised, £3085, will be publicised in the weekly sheet and the photos will be displayed. The St Peter's Card and Craft Fair on 17<sup>th</sup> November raised £580, and Helen and Ian Cooper will co-ordinate this event next year. The Henleaze Christmas Festival on 5<sup>th</sup> December still needs volunteers. There will be a Burns Quiz Night on 26<sup>th</sup> January. Thanks to all who have organised and helped with these events.

## **9. Refreshments**

### **10. Safe and Welcome Ministry : report circulated**

There is more to do on this, but one point to note is the need to do Risk Assessments for any new activities which start up, and people are encouraged to alert Sandy about this.

Also, it was noted that there is a new information card from the Diocese, Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk, and stocks of these are now available in church.

The purchase of the defibrillator has been researched : on cost, the target is £2000, and it is thought that the uniformed organisations might be involved in raising funds. There is now a National Register of defibrillators which St Peter's will ultimately be added to.

### **11. Finance Ministry : report and spreadsheet circulated**

Decisions need to be taken on the 2018 Outreach allocations. As the spreadsheet shows, the Outreach total grants for this year amount to £5447. Lindsey, David Cottrell, Sarah Thomas and Sandy volunteered to be part of the Outreach Giving Group – allocations to be finalized by mid December

It was noted that the spreadsheet does not yet show the regular Peter Fund donations, which are projected to be about £5500.

### **12. Youth Ministry** There was no current report.

### **13. Site Committee : report of Fabric Committee circulated**

### **14. Pastoral Ministry : report circulated**

The point made about the dark mats has been noted.

### **15. Synod Reports : reports circulated.**

Reports were circulated on the October Deanery Synod, and the October Diocesan Healing Conference.

The Vicar also attended the recent Diocesan Synod in Swindon, at which Bishop Viv was present. He is now fulfilling the role of Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands, and enjoying meeting with prospective ordinands for fortnightly conversations.

### **16. AOB and Dates of next meetings**

There was no further business. Dates of next meetings are:

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

**APCM on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

### **17. The meeting closed with prayer.**

*Reports for next PCC meeting to be requested by PCC Secretary on 17<sup>th</sup> January*

*Reports to be returned to PCC Secretary by 24<sup>th</sup> January*

*Agenda and reports to be issued to PCC on 25<sup>th</sup> January*