

**CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, HENLEAZE**



**Lives transformed through following Christ in love and service**

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

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

	<b>Elected Members</b>	
<b>2019</b>	Mary Goronwy	Present
	Catherine Leask	Present
	Wendy Young	Present
	Mike Leddra	Present
	Georgina Cope (Nov. 2019)	Apologies
<b>2018</b>	Jane Boyle	Apologies
	Valerie Bishop	Present
	Peter Dyer	Present
	Erik Dirdal	Present
<b>2017</b>	Emma Bolton	Apologies
	David Fenna (Treasurer)	Present
	Alistair Robinson	Apologies
	Jane Crawford	Present
	Sandy Hollinghurst	Present

Secretary : Katharine Ford

Attendance 14 / 21 = 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 meeting opened with prayer led by the vicar.

**2. Apologies for absence**

Apologies - had been received from Georgina Cope, Sarah Thomas, Lindsey Traub, Alistair Robinson and Jane Boyle.

Attendance - we welcomed Elliot George, Ordinand at Trinity College, to the meeting.

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

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

**5. Standing Committee** Ongoing, with no issues to report.

### **6. Planning Team Report**

SMART targets - These were all agreed, subject to discussion later in the meeting. The targets are for the PCC as a whole to meet, so do not allocate individual responsibilities.

### **7. Worship Ministry**

**Service Start Time Survey** - replies to the survey are coming in, but the congregation will be reminded before the deadline. More copies of the survey will be needed in church, although the survey was emailed round widely. PCC will make a decision on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 11.30am, reviewing the outcome and taking a vote. The survey sets out the issues very well indeed - our thanks to Sandy.

**Worship Committee** - The remit for this new Committee is to develop musical and other aspects of the morning service, and to plan worship through the year, reporting back regularly to PCC. This was agreed.

There was further discussion about

- Involving the young people - getting feedback from the new Youth Committee.
- Encouraging people to sit together - this is being planned by Mark and Simon, changing the layout and inviting all ages to sit together in the central block of seating.
- Publicising to the wider congregation what this Committee is all about, ie the overall outcome of the Inspiring Music in Worship course - that people value the structure and stability of our liturgical Communion and enjoy the stretch involved in using new resources and styles – and that we wish to develop our service planning. Mark will prepare a notice.

Membership will be taken from :- The vicar, Kathy Kilgour, Sarah Thomas, Sarah Hardiman, Lindsey Traub, Joy Hollamby, Katharine Ford, Simon Collins - plus another member representing the congregation.

### **8. Discipleship : Fuelling the fires of faith**

**Faith in Action** - Sandy reported that the Ibrahim family are doing well. Linkups are being arranged with other mums and toddlers to provide play for Ahmed. Mona has completed her chemotherapy and now has just checkups, so will be able to catch up at school (Year 3). Bilal may go to the Free School; he would prefer Redland Green but may not get a place. Abed is working as a decorator and receiving language lessons in return. It is hoped that Fodda and Abed can be introduced to another couple linked to Clifton Cathedral, to help them socialize.

Mark reported that St Luke's and St Anne's Brislington now have families they support, and other churches are working on it.

The Deanery Uganda trip is in October; contact Sarah Thomas if interested.

**Faith in Prayer** - The Christian Mindfulness course starts on 4 March, with six people attending, and can accommodate eight or more; contact Mark if interested.

**Faith in Community** – Update on the programme for 2020 listed in the Agenda:

- Champagne Tea on 6 June: after the 2019 Ale & Arty, the Tea was suggested by We Make Bristol, but partnering with them for this is currently less certain until we hear back from

them.

- **Ale & Arty:** We Make Bristol recommend an October date (November is already busy for them) ; it is suggested that we have street-food stalls in the car park, rather than doing our own.
- **Christmas Card and Craft Fair:** 14<sup>th</sup> November
- **Henleaze Christmas Festival on 2 Dec :** it is suggested we could partner with We Make Bristol and, working with the Festival Committee, close off The Drive for this event, and use the Meeting Room for a Santa's Grotto – even have an attraction in the car park. This scheme would make St Peter's less isolated than in the past. We could serve mulled wine as a fund raiser for our Outreach charities.

**Faith in Culture** - The group to discuss 'God is no thing' meets at 2.30pm on 28 Feb, and a date to discuss 'Phoebe' is to be confirmed. There is now a regular focus on poetry on Sunday evenings, led by Lindsey Traub.

**Faith seeking Understanding** - Mark reported that he has had 2 offers to host and 2 offers to lead separate Lent Groups, as the existing house groups do not have space. An afternoon Lent Group is also being explored.

## **9. Finance**

**Giving in Grace** - David reported that the total expected yearly Giving in Grace income shown in the report circulated has now risen to £12,293. It was agreed that following up those who had not yet responded should be sensitively done – not chasing up all who had not responded. It was suggested that a notice in the weekly news sheet could be a good reminder; a notice thanking people and stating that we have exceeded what we had expected was also suggested.

**Outreach** - The report circulated shows details of the sources of our Outreach funds in 2019, and the allocations, which were paid at the end of December. For Outreach 2020, there will be a meeting to choose charities to support, again with the target of £6000 ; please let David know if you wish to be at the meeting (thanks to Mike Leddra for volunteering) - following which, the list of charities can be presented at the next PCC. It was agreed that the Children's Society should receive a donation, although we will not be holding a Christingle service, as it is not feasible this year to establish the necessary links with local schools. The PCC was reminded that, including giving to support secondary school students in Northern Uganda via the Peter Fund, St Peter's total giving to external charities and groups in 2019 had been in the region of £14,000.

## **10. Refreshments**

### **11. Youth**

**Youth Report** - The report by Simon Collins circulated gave an update, including on the opportunity to be part of The Junction, a collaboration of local churches meeting every first Friday of the month.

**Youth Committee** - The remit for this new Committee is to oversee and organise the youth and children's ministry, both on Sundays and at other times, and to report regularly to PCC. This was agreed. A youth work meeting took place after church on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January, and Gill Dirdal has kindly agreed to draw up termly rotas; the committee will meet once a term. It was felt that in future there needs to be more clarity over groupings / better communication between youth worker and leaders about the material being used, and strategic oversight of the youth work will help to avoid this.

**Membership** – The vicar, Simon Collins, and leader/helper reps, and youth reps.

## **12. Site Committee**

**Quinquennial Inspection** - Our thanks go to Sarah Hardiman and Pete Dyer and any others who were instrumental in achieving the revised Quinquennial Inspection report, now corrected and finalised.

**Eco Committee** – This new Committee has the remit to undertake an Eco Church audit and report back to PCC on how we can contribute to the Diocesan eco strategy. This was agreed. Sarah Hardiman reported that she will shortly be meeting Clare Fussell to discuss the audit.

**Membership** - Sarah Hardiman and Site Committee members : the congregation are being invited to volunteer via the weekly news sheets.

## **13. Safe and Welcome**

A Safeguarding Report by Georgina Cope was circulated. Sandy confirmed in answer to a query that DBS checks are not needed for the Pastoral Team unless dealing with money or personal care.

## **14. Pastoral**

**Llangasty Retreat 2nd/3rd June** : Mary reported that there are still some spaces : details are displayed at the back of church.

## **15. Partnerships Abroad**

**CMS** - We are supporting Anne Plested working for CMS in Bethlehem. A new CMS rep is needed after Liz Holliday stepped down last year.

## **16. Synod**

**Deanery Synod** on Climate Change meets at St Helen's, Alveston on Wednesday 12th February at 7.30 p.m. It was noted that churches in the Deanery can collaborate on eco issues.

Mark will be attending General Synod in February.

## **17. AOB**

See below for two changes of date in May.

The revised Health and Safety Policy prepared by Sarah Hardiman has been circulated to PCC and a copy will now be signed and dated by the vicar.

**18. Prayer and Depart** We ended by praying individually, passing a stone around the circle.

**Date of next meeting**            **Thursday 26th March 2020**

**Date changes**    **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020 for APCM**

(changed from Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May, now a VE Day Bank Holiday weekend)

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

(changed from 21<sup>st</sup> May which is Ascension Day)

*Reports for next PCC meeting to be requested by PCC Secretary on 12<sup>th</sup> March and to be issued with the Agenda on 20<sup>th</sup> March.*