

CHURCH OF SAINT PETER, HENLEAZE



Transforming lives through following Christ in love and service

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 21st September 2016

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

	<u>Elected Members</u>	
2016	Mary Goronwy	Present
	Catherine Leask	Apologies
	Wendy Young	Present
	(vacancy)	
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2015	Peter Dyer	Present
	Sandy Hollinghurst	Present
	Judy Winn	Present
	Joy Ludlow	Present
	Erik Dirdal (Secretary)	Present
2014	Emma Bolton	Apologies
	David Fenna (Treasurer)	Present
	[Kathy Kilgour]	[Present]
	Barbara Lewis	Apologies
	(vacancy)	

Attendance 15 / 20 = 75%

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

Observers attending:

Moira and Brian McMurrin

1. Welcome:

The meeting was chaired by the Vicar. We welcomed the presence of Moira and Brian McMurrin and thanked them for offering to contribute to the Giving in Grace part of the meeting.

2. Reflection and Prayer

The PCC gathered around the altar and shared in a short order of service for Giving in Grace.

3. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Sarah Thomas, Barbara Lewis, Catherine Leask, Emma Bolton.

4. Minutes of the meeting held on 14th April 2016.

The minutes of the meeting of 07/07/16 were accepted, and signed by the chair.

5. Matters Arising

No other matters were raised.

6. MLT Report

The latest meeting was cancelled. Nothing to report.

7. F&S Report

Refer to report (attached).

The Diocese has requested a significant increase in the parish share. David Fenna has written to challenge their calculations and to offer a reduced amount. Feedback is that there are many parishes who have highlighted discrepancies. David will continue to liaise as appropriate.

8. Vision Delivery through pursuit of 7 Goals

Discussion was had with regards to the Vision/Mission/Values statements (see Resolution below). Some views were proposed to adjust some of the wording. It was agreed that this would be considered alongside any other feedback received from the wider congregation.

Resolution: *“That St Peter’s adopts the following Statements:
Vision: ‘Lives transformed by following Christ in love and service’
Mission: ‘Worship God, Make Friends, Change the World’
Values: ‘Pray faithfully’, ‘Listen well’, ‘Act boldly’, ‘Serve generously’.*

Proposed by Peter Dyer
Seconded by Mary Goronwy
This was carried unanimously.

9. Giving in Grace (GiG)

The budget for 2016 shows a deficit and it was recorded in a previous PCC meeting that plans would be put in place to ensure that this situation would change. Should it continue then St Peter’s reserves would be depleted by 2018.

Presentations were made by representatives from the Giving in Grace Group. This team comprises The Vicar, David Cottrell (Chair), David Fenna, Moira McMurrin, Brian McMurrin, Sarah Thomas and Howard Foster.

Plans have been formulated and it is now going through a consultation process with the PCC to ensure that it has full commitment prior to launching to the wider congregation.

Presentations were made on the following aspects:

- Differentiation (grouping individuals in order to convey the message most appropriate to them)
- Theology (examining the compelling reasons to give based upon the Trinity)
- Why? (looking at the reasons why the deficit is growing)
- The financial figures (for 2017 a shortfall of £663 per week is anticipated)
- How? (letters, direct contact, sermons, posters, brochures, leaflets)
- Leadership (PCC needs to lead, and be seen to lead)

On this last point the PCC are invited to participate in the campaign up-front in a positive and consultative way. Each member of the PCC will receive a visit from a member of the GiG Group to discuss the proposals and receive feedback prior to the initiative being launched to the wider congregation (anticipated Feb 2017).

10. Refreshments

11. Discussion

Some of the matters raised during the GiG presentation were consider further.

The Data Protection Act must be complied with when drawing up lists of names from the electoral roll for the purposes of soliciting additional contributions.

The value of employing a Youth Worker was discussed.

It was agreed that the GiG Group had done a fantastic job in compiling the proposals.

12. Safe and Welcome

DBS clearance has been received for the following:

- Jan Dyer
- Wilma Gough
- Jane Boyle

Having received the bronze award it is now the ambition to achieve the silver award.

Some people on the PCC still need to do the Foundation #1 course, and Sandy will organise another session in due course.

The next level (C2) is organised by the Diocese. The November session has been cancelled and Sandy will alert those interested once it has been rearranged.

13. Uganda

Mrs Sunday Dhugira is to visit shortly, in early October.

Many visas for the visiting group are still outstanding with many applications having been rejected. The Deanery has agreed to foot the costs of £80/visa for a second application. Requests for contributions towards expenses and spending money were made. It was agreed that a retiring collection following the next services could be used for this purpose.

An itinerary for Sunday's visit was distributed.

14. AOB

14.1 Ale & Arty Event

A programme for 08/10/16 was distributed and requests for assistance in preparing and assisting on the day were made.

14.2 Harvest Plate Collection

Resolution: *“That the Plate Collection at the Harvest service will be donated to the Sisters of the Churches’ Loaves and Fishes project.*

Proposed by Ian Love

Seconded by Peter Dyer

In favour 7. Against 2. Abstained 3.

The resolution was carried.

[Post meeting note: this resolution was conducted outside of the Rules of Church Representation, as it was not on the agenda and was not agreed by at least 75% of the PCC. It was agreed in the F&S Committee meeting of 06/10/16 that it could not be considered.]

14.3 Social Committee

It was suggested that a social committee be organised in order to assist in coordinating events and activities. It was noted that this role already exists in principle and could be developed to become more active where necessary. It was suggested that a Summer Fayre be a nice thing to have. It was agreed that this be reconsidered in more detail at the next PCC meeting.

14.4 Parish Weekend Away

Thanks were given to David and Sheila Cottrell for organising the weekend away at Sidholme. Many comments of gratitude were offered.

14.5 Dates of PCC meetings

Dates of forthcoming PCC meetings until summer 2017 were distributed.

15. Prayers

The meeting was concluded with The Grace.

The next PCC meeting is on Thursday 20/10/16 at 7.30pm, in the Meeting Room.

Next F&S meeting is on 06/10/16, 8pm, thence on 10/11/16.

These minutes issued and request for reports to be issued by the PCC Secretary by 06/10/16

Reports to be returned to PCC Secretary by 12/10/16

Agenda and reports to be issued to PCC on 13/10/16

Forthcoming PCC meetings:

2016 *Thurs 20th October*

Thurs 24th November

2017 *Thurs 26th January*

~~*Wed 22nd March*~~

Wed 5th April

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Peter Henleaze is a Registered Charity, Number 1131226.

[APCM 30th April]

Wed 24th May

Thur 29th June

All commence at 7.30pm.