

PCC Minutes

27/11/2017

Apologies: Mr. K. Henson, Mrs. A. Henson

Present: Fr. D. Rowett (Chair), Fr. Liz Brown (Acting Secretary) ,Messrs. S. Bennett, G. Brown, R. Smith, R. Lord, A. Lord, Dr. P.Large. Mesdames: V. Dukes, A. Trubshaw, M. Nutbrown, S. Brennan, M. Mcmanus

Minutes of the last meeting: These were circulated and accepted as a true record. Prop. Mavis Sec. Michelle

Matters arising: Churchyard light still pending. Very large print BCPs still haven't arrived although we have obtained some slightly larger ones. The new door closure is still nesting on the Vicar's desk.

Correspondence: The Secretary read a letter from the Bishop of Lincoln inviting Father David to be installed as a Canon of Lincoln Cathedral. A round of applause followed (as did several comments on the "powder blue" theme).

Committee Reports

Standing(attached)

Children and young people: We need to change the locks on toy cupboard doors. The materials in the cupboards have been disturbed by somebody other than authorised key-holders.

Health and Safety The chairs in the choir vestry can make it difficult to walk round near the lockers. Care needs to be taken here since both chairs and lockers are needed.

Social Auriol said she was delighted with results of Bazaar which made £910. She repeated that she was especially grateful for the rescue of the cake stall by Michelle Wright and her family.

Policies renewal New policies are on the website in accordance with diocesan regulations. The policies were renewed en bloc. Prop. Val. Sec Rob

Renewal of permission to administer the chalice for Mr. Stephen Bennett – Prop. Rob Sec. Sue. All in favour

Quinquennial – GEB All is in standing committee report. Water board have investigated possibility of water leak under floor and were very helpful. We think we have established where the water supply comes into the property. We will need to install a meter which takes account of water used by the hall. We will then be able to tell if we're losing water. If not we don't as yet have a plan B. Architect would like to meet the water people if possible.

Lighting and heating review AW doesn't want to head up the committee, so Dave Murray is going to steer this. Still some work needing to be done on the lighting and heating. Major review would be very expensive.

Friends of St. Mary's A draft leaflet was circulated. All agreed it was eye-catching and there will be a further meeting to fine tune the content.

Short study course- Spring 2018 For some time Fr D. has been worried about adult Christian education. He is now working on a series of stand alone sessions to look at 3 aspects of scripture "Whose Bible is it anyway?", "Jesus' Bible", "How did Jesus read the Bible?" Each session would be a time-limited hour + coffee. Steve B. remarked on the possibility of touching on controversial areas and said he approved of a "very bold" venture. Details will be in the January magazine.

Advent Books - There is a huge stack of these at the Vicarage.

Deanery Synod and "Learning Communities" (*attached*) Val asked when Ulceby will transfer to Haverstoe deanery and Fr D. said it would probably happen about Easter. In respect of the Learning Communities initiative, the licensed clergy have proposed a local scheme which is more likely to work than one which takes no account of local circumstances.

Collection at Carol Service – Barton Children's Centre and Disasters and Emergency committee should share the collection..

AOB Our blue box has disappeared.

Date of next meeting: 22nd January 2018 Standing Committee 8th Jan at 2.30 pm

The meeting closed with the Grace at 8.30 pm

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