

Minutes of the PCC meeting of All Saint's Parish Church, St Ives			
Date: 4 th July 2023		Location: CHURCH	Time: 19.30
Meeting called by	Vice-Chair & Churchwardens	Minute taker	Janet Parker
Attendees	Canon Simon Kershaw (Vice Chair), Elaine Midgley (Reader), Barry Wills (Churchwarden), Callum Dickerson (Churchwarden), Fr Gary Evans, Peter Smith (Safeguarding), Jackie Greenwood, Maureen Haigh, Roger Vardy, Janet Parker, Verity Trynka-Watson, Deirdre Milner, John Bacon		
Apologies	Martin Collier, Karen Kershaw		
ITEM	TITLE		
2307-1	Opening Prayer		
2307-2	Apologies		
2307-3	Acceptance of Previous Minutes		
February Minutes accepted. May Meeting Minutes accepted with amendment to Martin Collier being Churchwarden and Callum Dickerson being Churchwarden Elect. June Minutes accepted.			
2307-5	Churchwardens Report		
<p>A volunteer is required for the Roof Alarm Call Out List</p> <p>A volunteer is required to go on roof. Leaves need clearing from gutters and roof alarm batteries need changing.</p> <p>There has been an interest from a new group in renting the Hall long-term. As Trustees of the Church Hall, we may become personally liable if anything goes wrong and Callum has a copy of details which apply.</p> <p>It was pointed out that the Foodbank operates from there and must not be disrupted. They viewed the Hall, including kitchen, toilets and cottage and were told that the request will be discussed, and a decision made. It was agreed that Legal Advice should be taken (MC) and that the request should not be ruled out and a decision should be given ASAP. The Hall and Cottage are not in a fit state. Would we need safety reports and insurance? Or can we exclude all responsibility?</p> <p>They also wondered about purchase. The previous valuation had been in the region of £0.5 million and it was suggested that £6–700,000 might be a more realistic figure with planning permission. Our advisers tell us that as charity trustees we must seek the best value, and that means continuing to seek planning permission.</p> <p>Renting would bring money into the church prior to sale, and would not prevent sale. Any contract should be month-to-month so that when sold the property can be vacated. The cottage may need to have its use changed again.</p> <p>We need to look at this legally and with safety in mind and give a decision within the next 10 weeks as to our public and moral liability, but we must do things with caution.</p> <p>CD proposed to take advice from Diocese and MC. Seconded by BW. Agreed.</p> <p>(EM arrived during this discussion.)</p>			<p>MC</p> <p>CD, BW, MC</p>

GE and CD approached by the neighbour adjoining the hall about the length of the grass, Agreed that no action should be taken at present.		
National Burial Ground Survey is due to started in Ely Diocese to map burial plots of church yards and memorials. They use non-invasive mapping equipment to map the location and take photos of the plots. Scanning of the Church Registers is also included on the basis that they will be taken away for scanning for approx. 2 weeks before being returned, but the need approval of PCC is required. Proposed by CD, seconded by BW and agreed.		CD
2307-4	Treasurer's Report	
No Treasurers Report at this time – to be discussed quarterly		
2307 - 6	Hall Planning Permission update	
Planning application has now been re-submitted and will probably take about 8–10 weeks		
2307 - 7	Safeguarding	
The Safeguarding report has been circulated for all to read. It is asked that everyone is up to date with the training modules relevant to the position held on the PCC. Adopted the House of Bishops statement on Safeguarding and following Peter's training will update this if necessary.		All
2307- 8	Children's Work	
<p>Agreed that a "Thank You" be given to Julie for all her work but to be sooner than Christmas. A second person is needed and can cover when PS is unable to be present and if it becomes possible to separate younger and older children. At present PS is working on making the work age appropriate for the children to keep their interest.</p> <p>The help from Isobel and Lauren is very useful, Lauren is doing this as part of her Duke of Edinburgh's service module. Isobel is now 18 and could be an assistant.</p> <p>Erecting the gazebo is getting easier each time but a second person is needed.</p> <p>It was suggested that the children to be included in the service, perhaps monthly, with children as readers, servers, and as stewards and bringing up the Elements.</p> <p>It would be good to have an activity box for younger children who are visiting.</p> <p>There should be something in place for if a new family comes and there is nothing organised.</p> <p>Children's work should be on view so that visitors can see that they are included and the work they do is relevant.</p> <p>Suggested the first time for the service to include the children is 24 September which is Harvest Service.</p>		PS
2307 - 9	Deanery Synod	
No meeting of the Deanery Synod has been held but is due tomorrow		
2307 – 10	Fundraising – Booze in the Pews	
<p>Cider and Sizzle – working with other Parishes – a meeting was held but became clear it would not be viable. There were good intentions to start but lack of people to take lead positions showed little enthusiasm to make the necessary effort for it to be successful.</p> <p>JMA has now suggested opening BITP to get additional volunteers to enlighten the parishes as to what is involved in making it successful and would also lighten the load on</p>		

	<p>our own volunteers and the amount of time they need to spend here. Depending on the help received it could be possible to donate to the Synod.</p> <p>Next Booze in the Pews is 12, 13 & 14 October.</p> <p>Reported that JMA is happy to apply for Licence for the October BITP. Agreed.</p> <p>There are no major changes to be made for setting up. As demand has been growing 36 – 40 beers are to be ordered. New racking would be needed if more than 40 barrels are ordered. 800 – 1000 glasses are to be ordered and a good number of generic ones are left from previous events to cover shortfall.</p> <p>Dates to be discussed with JMA & Kathy for future events so that advertising can be put in local publications.</p> <p>Suggested Dates. 1st – 3rd February 2024 or 8th – 10th February 2024 3rd – 5th October 2024 or 10th – 12th October 2024</p>	JMA VTW
2307-11	Pastoral & Social Committee	
	<p>It was suggested that the Pastoral and Social Committee be divided into two, Social Committee, GE to lead with DM, JP and CD</p> <p>6 August, Feast of Transfiguration with Baptism and Showing of Israel Photos and a light lunch.</p> <p>Pastoral. Requests for Baptisms have been received. Graham Noyce is in hospital.</p>	
2307-12	Policies for Review	
	Policies are to be circulated and to remind everyone who is responsible before PCC meeting	SK
2306-13	Standing Committee	
2307 - V	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes	
	Noted that GE is co-opted instead of being able to attend with no voting rights.	
2307 - W	Any Other Urgent Business	
	<p>Away day to be organised.</p> <p>Gas to be disconnected from the cottage.</p> <p>Bill Falconer to be thanked for repairing the flower tubs.</p> <p>Gin & Jazz 15, 16 September</p> <p>Deirdre's Afternoon Teas 1, 2, 3 August</p> <p>Barry' & Pat's 60th Anniversary next year</p>	S/C MC ?
2307 - X	Reflection on Tonight's Achievements	
2307 - Y	Date of Next Meeting	
	<p>1 August 2023</p> <p>To consider making a change of day of meeting from Tuesday to Wednesday from September. To discuss at next meeting</p>	

2307 - Z	Closing Prayers and Dismissal	