

Parish of Deddington with Clifton and Hempton

Minutes of the PCC meeting held on Monday, 13th January 2020 at the Vicarage Deddington

Present:

Rev. Annie Goldthorp
Olivia Fenion
Dave Hughes

Robert Best
Meriel Flux
Heather Nason

Sally Best
Iain Gillespie
Rev. Paula Smith
Sue McCouaig - Secretary

Apologies:

Caroline Condon
Angela Everett

Stephanie Dakin
Les Chappell not at meeting

Item	Notes	Action
2.	Opening Prayer and Dwelling in the Word (20 minutes)	
	"Liturgy for a PCC Meeting" continues to be followed for PCC meetings. The Bible reading used was 2 Timothy 2:1-7	
3.	Living Faith (40 minutes)	Vicar
	<p>"PCC Tonight" Agenda format used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission Statement – Deddington PCC Statement of Purpose – The PCC have adopted the Statement of Purpose, which should be kept with PCC documentation for reference. This document will need to be revisited occasionally. Meriel will put a copy on the church website, as well as an A4 copy on the church board. • Harvest – Last year Harvest Festival was held during the Family Service, and it attracted roughly the same number of people as when previously held in a Communion service. The preference is for it to take place this year on a communion Sunday – 11th October at 10.30, with the Harvest Supper on Saturday 10th October. • Evening prayer on Wednesday night – Numbers have been very small, and on occasions there has only been Paula and Annie. This will be cancelled for the time being, with Morning Prayer at 8.45am being encouraged. A good way to start the day. • Energy audit – Annie had downloaded both the Church Eco Survey and an <u>Application Form for Participation in Church Energy Efficiency audit scheme</u>. An energy audit can be arranged through the Diocese at a cost of about £150. Two issues to concentrate on at present – 1) See where we go with becoming an ECO church and 2) Getting an energy audit organised. The PCC agreed to get the audit done, and Meriel would start the process off by completing the application form. • Future Bishop - All the Deaneries within the Archdeaconry of Dorchester, have been asked to think about the sort of Bishop we would be looking for, to replace Colin. Sarah Sharp has asked that this be talked about by PCC's and be reported back. Annie read out some extracts from "The Ordination and Consecration of a Bishop" document. Annie would email a copy to Sue, to be emailed to PCC members. The PCC discussed this. • Conrad Woolley (a member of Banbury Symphony Orchestra) had emailed Annie following a recent concert, which she had been asked to read out at the PCC meeting. It gives a glowing report on the diligence and hard work of Iain Gillespie, going above and beyond the call of duty. The PCC recorded the hard work done by the Gillespies. • Iain would like to step down as Treasurer, if a new nominee comes forward before the APCM. They need to be methodical and thorough. 	<p>Meriel</p> <p>Meriel</p> <p>Annie</p>

4.	Break (5 minutes)	
	It was decided to continue on with the meeting at this point.	
5.	Fabric (10 minutes)	Iain Gillespie
	<p>Toilets and Kitchen are now completed.</p> <p>Pathway – A dry day is required to fully complete the pathway project. More small stones need to be added on top of the concrete base and the final bonding resin applied.</p> <p>Heating – Although the heating is now working, the company used to sort out the recent fault(s) were not particularly efficient. Iain has been looking for a company to use in the future, and has an email address for a recommended company to take this work on. Iain will follow this through, with future servicing taking place, most likely, at the beginning of the summer to avoid breakdowns at the beginning of winter.</p> <p>Roof alarm – installed and running. Iain gave out a document for PCC members to take away and read, for information. Iain pointed out that the system panel box shown on page 2 is located within the bell tower. There is also a box at the bottom of the steps to the tower. The keys to this box should be kept off the premises. The PCC recorded their thanks to Iain for all of the work involved. As the roof is now alarmed, it is fully insured and gives a monthly reduction of £50 on the insurance premium. Well done Iain!</p>	Iain
6.	Finance (15 minutes)	Iain Gillespie
	<p>Iain briefly went through the Treasurers report, which gives a snapshot picture of balances in each fund. He expanded on a few items which are shown on the report.</p> <p>Iain had recommended to the vicar that we give £4,000 to charity this year, representing about 4% of our unrestricted income. Further details are shown on the Treasurers report.</p> <p>The Barclays Bank account is now fully closed. We may have lost a few regular income standing order funds in the changeover, where Iain has not been able to obtain new signed standing orders to our new bank. He is following this up.</p> <p>The new card reader, paid for by the “Friends of Deddington Church”, appears to be working well.</p>	
7.	Deanery Synod Report (5 minutes)	Bob Best
	Bob emailed on 28 th December, his summary of the meeting of 4 th December, and suggested that if there are any questions to contact him. Our Parish Share for 2020/2021 will be £4,200 per month. Thanks were recorded to Bob.	
8.	Health and Safety (5 minutes)	
	No report received.	
9.	Minutes of the last meeting – 7th November 2019	
	Annie signed the minutes of the last meeting as a true record.	
10.	Matters arising	
	<p>There was a discussion concerning the Christmas Day lunch, which was attended by 8 people. More help is needed on the day. To be revisited in July 2020 and a plan arranged. This is a valuable “Outreach” opportunity. Think about how we invite people? Our Pastoral Care is very important, Tei Williams and Fiona Gillespie have been working on this, but how do we take this forward?</p> <p>Living Advent Trail was very successful and worked well.</p> <p>65 Knitted Angels were placed around the village at Christmas, with a note inviting folk to take them home.</p> <p>Jane Maharry has agreed to take on the events Google diary.</p> <p>Kitchen equipment – Meriel had ordered and now received a Kingdom Coffee urn, which will make from 20–75 cups of coffee. Meriel will go through</p>	<p>July Meeting</p> <p>Meriel</p>

	<p>the instructions received and devise a condensed, easy to understand, version.</p> <p>Fresh/opened items still being placed in the food trolley.</p> <p>The Dave Tomlinson event went well, for which he received an honorarium. He did not wish to claim expenses.</p>	
11.	<p>Any other urgent business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Hughes conveyed thanks to Annie for the wonderful Christmas services. • Bell ringing for Brexit on 31st January – Individual towers have discretion to ring for this occasion if they wish, but this has not been mentioned to Annie, as yet. • Fund raising - At our next meeting we need to discuss fund raising, so please think about possible events, and bring suggestions to the next meeting. In the near future we need to look at our lighting and heating, both expensive projects, requiring at least one or two big fund raising events. Annie mentioned some future events i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gospel Bell concert Saturday 29th February, who are teaming up with an all women's group. They have invited our choir to sing as well. - "Village Voices" choir (an old friend of Annie's in Warwick) – 25th April - "St. Peter's Singers", which Annie's son and daughter in law belong to. Their Choir would like to do a concert here sometime in August on a Saturday night. - Heather mentioned that the Social Committee felt that the "Teas In Church" could do with a break, so were not planning to run them this summer. - Meriel suggested an appropriate "Play" in church for funds. 	
12.	<p>Date of next PCC meeting (s)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, 19th March 2020 • APCM – 26th April 2020 	
13.	<p>Closing Prayer</p> <p>The meeting closed with the concluding prayer from the Liturgy for a PCC Meeting and finished at 9.10pm.</p> <p>Meriel agreed to lead the worship at the next PCC meeting.</p> <p>Heather gave apologies for next meeting.</p>	