

**MEETING OF PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ST MARY'S, SIXPENNY HANDLEY WITH GUSSAGE ST ANDREW
06TH MARCH 2013, 7:30PM, THE VICARAGE**

PCC Members Present:	Paul Bishop (PB)	Naomi Booth (NB)	Clair Brown (CB)
Mike Carter (MC)	Catherine Chapman (CC) Treasurer	John Cullingford (JC)	Rev Mel Durrant (MD) Chair
Peter Goldstone (PG)	Stella Symes (SS)	Maureen Penrose (MP)	David Salmons (DS) Deanery
Rev Paul Skinner (PS)	Carole Wyatt (CW)		

(01) Welcome and opening prayer: MD opened with a reading from Exodus 18:17-23 followed by a prayer.
Apologies: Ted Cox (TC), Sue Curtis (SC), Jackie Molnar (JM)

(02) Minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2013: A true and accurate record. Proposed: CW, Seconded: PG.

(03) Finances

Catherine Chapman welcomed to the meeting as Treasurer and co-opted onto PCC. Proposed: CW, Seconded: NB. £5,600 currently banked, December – March charitable aid to be banked soon. 2012 accounts will be audited by the end of April by Fawcetts. Thanks to CW for organising the auditing. Signatories to be removed and replaced: with immediate effect, Ricky Ironside to be replaced with CC and include MP as a new signatory. After April CW and NB to be removed. Proposed: PG, Seconded: JC.

(04) Matters Arising & Any Other Business

- (4.1) Chancel Repair** Letter and reply from Andrew Johnson, the Registrar, as circulated by CW.
Action: CW will contact Andrew Johnson again.
- (4.2) Church Fete** 25th May 2013, 2-5pm. A traditional church fete, with stalls in and around the Church and Vicarage garden. NB sorting out the poster and advertising.
- (4.3) 3 Men in a Boat** The Barn, Pentridge, 29th July 2013
- (4.4) Village Concert** 13th July 2013. This years theme is 'Groups'. Contact JC for details.
- (4.5) PuzzleBurger Evening** 20th July 2013, from 4pm. Organised by Jean and Bobbie: come along, do some puzzles and enjoy a burger! CC suggested contacting David Cross re the loan of a large BBQ.

(05) Preparation for Annual Meeting

- (5.1) Change of PCC members** Thanks to NB, MC & JM, who are leaving the PCC.
- (5.2) Churchwardens, Deputies, etc.** Thanks to CW for all the years as Churchwarden. MD circulated 'The roles of Churchwardens', which includes a breakdown of tasks. PG volunteered to carry out the 'Annual' items as listed in Green and JC volunteered to do the 'Buildings' tasks, listed in Blue.
Action: Think and pray about your contribution to the life of the church
- (5.3) Reports** Every 6 years the Electoral roll must be redone and this is one of those years. Bill Chorley is working on this. Reports to the Secretary no later than Sunday 7th April 2013.

(06) Worship & Ministry

- (6.1) Mothering Sunday, Palm Sunday & Easter** Mothering Sunday will be a combined service with coffee and Simnal Cake, including mini buns afterwards! Thanks to DS for making these. The service will include the Mothers' Union and a small singing group from the First school. Palm Sunday will also be a combined service, lead by Jess the donkey.
- (6.2) Service Leaders, Readers and Sidespersons, etc.** Any thoughts on any of these tasks please let MD know. We need more helpers and we need more congregation. This led to a constructive conversation about our role in the community, which also covered item 6.3. Friendship and Fellowship: Behaving, Belonging and Believing: Find what God is doing and join in: Celebration Services: People travel to other centres: The relevance of worship: Tradition vs Informal: Other commitments/events happen over the weekend.
- (6.3) Talk at Annual Meeting**

(07) Buildings & Fabric

- (7.1) Path:** John Turnbull has quoted for this due to the deterioration of the tarmac, at £3,300. To redo the path with tarmac only it will cost £1,500-£2,000, another quote is being supplied. It was agreed the path should be done in tarmac, and then the special surface as agreed earlier if possible. Proposed: JC, Seconded: CW.
- (7.2) Heating:** Simon Wallwoth quote: £5,000 incl VAT for heaters and guards under the first 10 rows of pews, and extra heating in the font area. It was confirmed that the existing switchgear can take the load.
Action PG: rig up a demo.
- (7.3) Sound & Vision:** Costs quoted from last year are still the same £8,000 incl VAT for the Sound and a similar cost for Vision, with a contingency of 5-10%.
Action PG: set up for AGM.
- (7.4) Gussage St Andrew Quinquennial:** Email will be sent round with proposed dates for the working party.

(08) Outward Giving Review: Please forward and suggested changes to MD.

(09) Synod Reports: DS circulated Synod Reports – Please do read "Re-imagining Ministry is not enough!". For further details please contact DS. Our thanks to DS for his continued work as Deanery and Diocesan member.

(10) Date of next meeting: Annual Meeting Sunday 21st April 2013, 6pm.

The meeting finished with prayer.