

PRECIS OF THE MINUTES OF THE PCC MEETING

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25th MARCH 2009 @ 7.30pm

PRÉCIS OF MINUTES

WORSHIP

Psalm 8.

PRAYER

DG led prayer.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 18/02/2009

Amendment: Cathedral Guidelines say sabbatical every 10 years, otherwise the Minutes were accepted.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 18/02/2009

PCC agreed the figure Don G and Roger W should bid up to at the Auction of the library at QED on 26th March 09; they were advised to make the decision on behalf of PCC. DG asked PCC to pray. Children at All Saints Church School will be given a bible after Easter. All tickets have been sold for the School Easter service on 27th March 09. Diocesan Lent course finished on 24th March 09, most people who attended found the course helpful. New kitchen in church is almost complete.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Bishop of Wakefield thanking everyone in the parish for their hard work and generosity in contributing to the Common Fund this early in the year, it is a marked sign of Christian witness.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR APM 29th April 2009

PCC members who will retire this year were thanked by Don G for all they had done in the last 3 years.

FINANCE – ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

Members were handed a draft copy of the Statement of Financial Activities and were asked for their views on the new layout and for their comments. Changes were made and it was agreed that with the amendments this would be placed in the AGM report in the new format. Don G thanked Janet R for all her work including that with the examiner.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE 1 & 2

One of the issues the church has sort to address over the years has been to serve the community and to speak about Jesus. Phil A and Roger W have been looking at how the church can move forward in these areas. Phil A visited Bradford Lighthouse Group who serves its community by working with children excluded from school, not in education, employment or training, at a centre built with money they were awarded 2 years ago. PCC approved Phil A to carry out feasibility work to find out if there is a case to build something similar in Normanton for the whole of Wakefield District; he thanked the PCC and confirmed there is potential funding. PCC to visit. Roger W has been looking at what the church can do with regard to social responsibilities and has had conversations with the wardens at Ripley Court and Haven Lodge (positive response), offering on a 3 month trial, to take care home residents to ASDA once a week, and collect anyone who wanted to go to Wednesday Communion Service. Roger W also suggested a number of ways we could help people in the town by welcoming them into the church. Discussions will continue at future PCC's.

DEANERY SYNOD/TRANSFORMATIONAL PLAN

The Transformational Plan was presented to the Deanery Synod 17th March 09; the plan is part of the process churches are going through in response to the Diocese losing 4.5 clergy in the next 5 years.

VICAR'S ITEMS DG has been approached by a church member offering to start mother and toddler group.

WARDEN'S ITEMS

Work to repair the stonework of the church will start 1st April until 30th May 09; the scaffolding will be up majority of the time. Notice has been put in the newsletter and relevant groups have been made aware including council and police. Safety issues inside the church and outside are a concern and have been addressed. New lock has been fitted to the inside door of the church and message will be given to key holders asking them to collect a key from Barbara.

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING 20th May 2009 at 7.30pm.