

Minutes of the Parochial Church Council, St. Peter's Draycott

Held on 12/03/2013 at 8:00 p.m. at Kundsan, Westfield Lane.

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1. Opening prayers

Rev. Sue opened the meeting with a prayer. Tricia Heckbert took the chair.

2. Attendance, apologies and welcome

Present

David Cheetham DC
Richard Dingley RD
Chris Green CG
Colette Jeff CJ
Janet Jeffries JJ
Tricia Lumley TL
Thea Oliver TO
Sue Rose SR

Apologies

Christine Butler CB
Tricia Heckbert TH
Barry Rose BR

3. Greeting Revd. Robert Sihubwa (Father Bob), Kafue

Father Bob was visiting the benefice this week and was very welcome to share in our PCC proceedings- business items to be made as brief as possible to allow us to talk about our respective parish situations and needs.

4. Minutes from PCC of 06/11/2012

The PCC minutes were agreed as an accurate record.

5. Matters arising

For brevity we did not go through the minutes to review action points as is our normal practice.

6. Any other business

(None raised at this point)

7. Items for Decision

7a. Agreement of church accounts for 2012

PCC members had previously been circulated with the accounts.

TO proposed that we accept them; RD seconded. All approved the motion, so the church accounts were declared accepted by the PCC.

SR expressed the gratitude of the PCC to all involved in preparing and auditing the Finance accounts (DC, TH, Alan Rowntree). All agreed.

7b. Reports required for APCM

The following reports were requested from PCC members (and others from the congregation):

Statutory Reports

Electoral Roll	<i>Richard Dingley</i>
Report on PCC proceedings	<i>Chris Green</i>
The financial report and accounts	<i>David Cheetham</i>
The churchwarden's fabric report	<i>David Cheetham</i>
Deanery Synod Report	<i>Tricia Lumley</i>

Other reports

Ministry team	<i>Chris Butler</i>
Covenants	<i>Tricia Heckbert</i>
School	<i>Nikki Devitt</i>
Supporters of St. Peter's (S.o.S.P.)	<i>Thea Oliver</i>
Local Ministry Group	<i>Sue Rose</i>
Bible Study/ Lent course	<i>Chris Green</i>

These were all agreed.

An additional report was suggested- Summer Concert (past and future)- *Barry Rose*

ACTIONS:

CG to request reports from those not present (CB, BR, Nikki Devitt).

All contributors- reports to be available at least one week before the APCM, i.e. on 7th April. (Thanks to DC who has already provide the Finance and Fabric reports).

7c. Draycott 2013 festival - decisions

CJ reported that meetings of the organising committee had been held and plans were progressing well.

It was proposed that the PCC insure the glebe field for a complete year as this would almost certainly be cheaper in the long run- NB. total cost about £150. The PCC agreed.

Ways to stabilise the ground had been discussed- we would probably peg chicken wire over the steepest slope to achieve this.

8. Items for Discussion

8a. Worship

All Easter services were in hand- there was nothing that needed to be discussed before the APCM.

8b. Fabric

- i. The faculty has come through for works to the vestry. We should consider laying a floor-sticky tiles? (NB. the surface needs to be well prepared and not dusty- this should be done professionally).
- ii. There is an electric switch with exposed wiring that needs looking at (to be done later)
- iii. Inventories- everyone who is responsible for an inventory needs to check this is still accurate, and update DC accordingly (if he does not hear from you he will assume that there is no change). NB. Any stolen items will need to be reported to the archdeacon.
- iv. Smart Water- we must put it to use in the church, then complete and return the declaration form (*ACTION: TO &CG*)

8c. Finance

Nothing special to report.

8d. School

SR reported that the school children had made a visit to the cathedral, and it had cost £5 per head. The transport is paid for by the Card charity.

8e. Deanery Synod

TL and SR had attended. Synod was addressed by the Diocesan Missioner, who said that a gap in understanding had opened between people of faith and those outside faith groups.

8f. SoSP

SoSP had been very active, with a string of events (including DC's concert, Curry Night, Soup Lunch). The next would be a jumble sale on 20th April in the skittle alley of the Strawberry Special.

8g. LMG

Nothing new.

8h. Web site

All up to date, with material from the magazine coming through in good time- the magazine was published as a .PDF file.

9. Items of new business

9a. Parish Magazine

Rob Walker was producing this with great energy and efficiency- we expressed our gratitude.

Is there enough Draycott content? This has been an issue, but the March number had several Draycott items.

We should clarify for Rob what items can be accepted without a fee. The guidelines would be any not-for-profit activity taking place within and for the community- as long as it is of sufficiently general interest (NB. the editor has the right to decide on this).

ACTION: CG to communicate this to Rob Walker

10. Dates

- APCM: 14th April at 6:30 p.m. in St. Peter's, Draycott (preceded by Evening Prayer at 6).

(The remainder of the meeting was take up with informal discussion between the PCC and Father Bob)

11. Closing Prayer

The meeting closed with the Grace.