

St Edward the Confessor, Barnsley.

Minutes of PCC meeting held on 7th March 2011.

Opening Prayer.

Present: M Poskitt, G Fletcher, H Fletcher, L Mace, J Gostelow, E Carr, J Moss, L Taylor-Kent, F Thompson, M Gostelow.

1) Apologies for absence: R Burton.

2) Minutes of meeting held on 7th February were agreed.

3) Matters arising from the minutes:

(i) Annual Report: the draft report was agreed. It was further agreed that the report from the Deanery Synod representatives would be about meetings held in 2010 only.

(ii) Annual Meeting: J Gostelow will photocopy 20 copies of last year's annual meeting minutes and more than 25 copies of this year's annual report.

M Poskitt will draw up an agenda which will include items of current interest such as the boundaries report from the Dioceses Commission.

Elections will be held for Deanery Synod representatives in line with the rest of the diocese.

We will continue to elect a third of the PCC each year on a rolling programme.

Wine and biscuits will be served.

(iii) Byfields bill for repairing the boiler was paid two weeks ago after M Poskitt received a reply to his letter. A copy of this letter will be placed on the PCC file. M Poskitt and J Gostelow will write to the manufacturers of the boiler for their comments about its faults.

4) Correspondence:

(i) It was agreed that the PCC will comply with diocesan advice issued in January this year regarding which roles should have a CRB check. Every PCC member will be given a copy of the advice. It was also agreed that our churchwardens would continue to be subject to CRB checks because of their positions of responsibility in the church.

(ii) An email has been received about the lino in the kitchen which is torn and dangerous. It was agreed that G Fletcher will get a quote to replace the floor-covering with non slip lino.

(iii) A letter has been received from the Archdeacon about insuring the church for 75% of its worth and having an excess of £250 as this would make our premiums cheaper. It was agreed to defer discussion on this until our insurers inform us of their recent assessment.

5) Reports:

(i) Fabric: joints around the west window need to be re-pointed. G Fletcher will contact the architect about the material that should be used for this and will then get a

quote for the work. The electrical wiring and the lightning conductor need to be tested. The broken boiler needs a new circuit board. A request was made for all repairs/building work to be tabulated with details of urgency and likely cost so that appropriate budgetary consideration can be given to these rather than agreement on an ad hoc basis.

(ii) The Lady Chapel window was discussed at the DAC meeting on 4th March but no feedback from the meeting has yet been received.

(iii) The treasurer tabled a written report. It was agreed that consideration about additional payments to the Common Fund will not be made until July.

The organist will receive £15.60 per service, paid monthly. He will replace Leslie Broadhead as one of the correspondents from the RSCM.

The church clock has been serviced at a cost of £200.

The treasurer needs to inform HMRC about anyone at church who receives more than £100 p.a. as an honorarium or fees.

(iv) The Events Committee has distributed a calendar of events and meets next on 9th March.

(v) The Health and Safety Committee will meet at 1.30pm (after the Lent Lunch) on 22nd March.

6) The Worship Committee: met on 25th February and discussed the return of Nick Sutton as organist and services through Lent.

7) The Pastoral Committee: is reliant on members of the congregation informing them of people who are in need.

8) Deanery Synod: met on 2nd March to discuss the boundaries report. There was some lack of clarity about the outcome of the vote. M Poskitt will circulate a report on the issues to the congregation for discussion at the Annual Meeting.

9) Services: on the second Sunday of each month our Communion Service will start at 10am rather than at 9.15am. A meeting to discuss setting up a Sunday School at this service will be held on 12th March.

10) Mara Link: a recent event raised £125 for Mara and £30 for Water for Life. The speaker Tineka Bentley was excellent and thanked us for our warm welcome to her. M Poskitt will remind the congregation that they can continue to make donations to Mara throughout Lent.

11) Churches Together in Barnsley: met on 16th February. There is a course for anyone interested in becoming a Street Pastor. There will also be a parade/drama/outreach on Good Friday in Cheapside, organised by David Munby.

No further meetings of the PCC were arranged.

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