

## **St Edward the Confessor, Barnsley.**

### **Minutes of PCC Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010.**

#### **Opening Prayers**

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

**1) Apologies for absence:** J Moss, E Carr, R Burton.

**2) Minutes of meeting** held on 19<sup>th</sup> July were agreed.

#### **3) Matters arising from the minutes:**

(i) Sarah Arthur from Heritage Inspired is coming to the PCC meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> November.

(ii) Our website cost was £72.41, including VAT and registration charge, for two years.

#### **4) Correspondence:**

(i) it was agreed that we would invite the Bishop's representative to meet with us regarding the proposal to extend the suspension of presentation.

(ii) it was agreed that weekly e-bulletins from the diocese will be displayed at the back of church.

(iii) it was agreed that H Fletcher and F Thompson will look at the information from 'The Year of the Child' and present a report to the PCC about future action.

(iv) a letter has been sent by Newman and Bond regarding our receipt of additional money from Hilda Bennett's bequest once her house has been sold.

(v) updates to our insurance policy and a certificate of liability were given to G Fletcher.

#### **5) Reports:**

(i) The gutters and damp by the west window have been sorted out. One of the gas boilers may need servicing by Byfields; G Fletcher will check if it is covered by a warranty and how much a service will cost.

(ii) G Fletcher will ask Mr Parker to mend the handle on the ladies' toilet.

(iii) Totty's can do a vicars/readers plaque to match the oak of the pews for about £450-£500. The money could come from the Lillian Deighton Fund. G Fletcher will ask the Archdeacon for permission.

(iv) three designs for the stained glass window in the Lady Chapel are now on display at the back of church. M Poskitt will report on the congregation's comments at the next meeting of the PCC.

(v) it was agreed that M Poskitt will speak to Margaret Cooper's family about provision of a bench in her memory.

(vi) as our organist is leaving, Kingstone Communications have been invited to church on 15<sup>th</sup> September to put forward a proposal about our PA system. We can test their system for six months for free to see if it is suitable. G Fletcher will ask the Archdeacon if we need a faculty for this.

(vii) F Thompson will complete a written risk assessment to show there is no need for a rope handrail in the tower.

(viii) The treasurer presented a written report. Funds are down because our insurance bill of £3748 has just been paid and we are using assets such as the Edward Lancaster Fund for repairs. However, the congregation has been very generous to the Pakistan Flood Appeal and Benson Kimaru's Wateraid Appeal.

#### **6) Gift Day.**

M Poskitt has drafted a letter to the community, with a list of events on the back, and a brochure of activities to hand out on Gift Day. It was agreed that he would purchase three A frames (£68 each) and a notice board to put on the churchyard wall (£200) to publicise the fact that we are open.

#### **7) Organ Concert.**

Nick Sutton will do an organ concert from 4pm to 5pm on September 25<sup>th</sup> and this will be followed by refreshments. Donations for the church will be requested. F Thompson has advertised the concert in the Barnsley Chronicle and G and H Fletcher agreed to put up posters about it.

Members of the congregation will be asked to give to a collection for a card and present for Nick.

#### **8) Policies.**

The health and safety group has not met yet and M Poskitt is still waiting for legal advice regarding his responsibilities. It was agreed that we need to collect all our policies together and approve them at a PCC meeting. It was also agreed that all our policies should be in a similar format.

The revised finance policy was agreed

#### **9) Worship, Ministry and Mission:**

- (i) The Worship Committee is meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> September.
- (ii) The Pastoral Committee is meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> September.
- (iii) The Deanery Synod is meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> November
- (iv) The Planning Group is meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> September and will need to do a written plan soon.

(v) F Thompson will do a display on Mara for Gift Day.

(vi) Christians Together in Barnsley will meet on 29<sup>th</sup> September and will have a leaflet soon.

#### **10) AOB**

(i) Every Picture Tells a Story: groups in Barnsley are asked to take a photo of their members on 24<sup>th</sup> September and put it on a website. M Poskitt will take photos at the Time and Space service and the Quiz Night.

(ii) Matthew Joy has invited churches to a bowling competition on 13<sup>th</sup> November from 7-9pm. M Poskitt and F Thompson to get a team together!

**Date and Time of next meeting: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2.15pm in the vestry.**

Signed.....

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