

BIRSTALL AND WANLIP PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at the Hall, Wanlip 21st January 2015, 7.30pm

Present: Revd Vince Jupp (Chair); John Ward (taking minutes); Revd Anne Crosby; Janet Waters; Leigh Reid; Marion Tegg; Elaine White; Sandra Robinson; Dorothy Wakefield; Mary Bruce; Beryl McHugh; Alastair McHugh; Bert Tegg; Peter Chester; Tony Bloxam; Annette Marshall; Nicki Wills (part)

Revd Canon David White was present for the first item (Working Together)

Apologies: Debbie Shephard; Gill Pope; Lesley Walton; Cicely Plumb;

Revd Vince Jupp opened the meeting by welcoming Revd Cannon David White (Team Rector in the Fosse Team which is out partner in the Mission Partnership)

Prayers: David White opened the meeting with a prayer.

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<p>1. Working Together:</p> <p>David White spoke on his paper 'The Two Rivers Mission Partnership. Team – or Just Good Friends' in which he introduces the possibility of all the member parishes of the Mission Partnership exploring the possibility of joining together as a new Team Ministry. He stated that this was yet to be discussed by the PCC's in the Fosse Team. David circulated the paper 'The Fosse Team – The Vision' which outlines the principles of Governance of the Fosse Team. He then invited questions.</p> <p>Peter Chester asked if the context was based on 2020 and the need to shed half a Clergy post. David answered Yes; he suggested that if the Team approach was not adopted all the members of the Partnership may need to enter into a memorandum of understanding to agree how to cover the lost half post.</p> <p>Annette Marshall asked if it meant that clergy would rotate around the Churches. David explained that one of the clergy would have specific responsibility for each church.</p> <p>Alastair McHugh asked how much duplication was there between what the Mission Partnership and the Deanery do. David explained that they both undertake different functions.</p> <p>Peter Chester stated that the bottom line was that change is coming, we can either work to agree the change or have it imposed. David's response was that we need to look forward.</p> <p>Dorothy Wakefield picking up on David's comments that any change in the existing staffing of the Fosse Team could have an impact on the Partnership Structure asked if any such change would be for the Good or Bad. David responded that careful wording of Parish Profiles would hopefully reduce the risk .</p> <p>David than put a question to the PCC for their consideration at a future meeting – "Do we think we should progress the proposal to the next stage? Are we interested?"</p> <p>He then left the meeting at 8.05pm</p>	<p>VJ to put on Agenda at a future meeting</p>

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<p>2. Minutes from the meeting of 12th November, 2014: The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting and were duly signed.</p> <p>3. Minutes from the meeting of 6th January 2015: The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate account of the meeting and were duly signed.</p> <p>4. Matters Arising from the Minutes: 12th November Minutes Item 7 – Garner Request. Tony Bloxam reported that the DAC required a PCC Minute authorising the removal of the old bench (already removed) and a plan of the Churchyard showing the proposed location.</p> <p>The following proposals were put to the meeting and voted upon:</p> <p>It is proposed that the old bench be removed and disposed of. Proposed Peter Chester; Seconded John Ward. Voting: For- unanimous</p> <p>It is proposed that the new bench be sited adjacent to the area set aside for the interment of ashes. Proposed Annette Marshall; Seconded Peter Chester. Voting: For- unanimous</p> <p>5. Mission and Evangelism: Stephen and Sharon will be arriving in Birstall week commencing 9th February and they will be attending all services on the 15th</p> <p>Volunteers have been cleaning the house and a welcome hamper has been organised.</p> <p>A meet the Marsh's session has been arranged for the Mission Group at the Chesters on February 20th at 7.00pm</p> <p>Janet Waters and Doreen Wilson are collating evidence for the 'Measures' we have to report on</p> <p>The existing Mission Group feels that with the arrival of the Pioneer Worker it will have fulfilled its function and that, if required, a new Mission Group with new Terms of Reference will need to be set up. After discussion it was decided to leave the formation of a new group until Stephen has arrived and we know where we are going.</p> <p>6. Reports: Social Committee: Report circulated Music and Worship: No report Website: No report Sunday School: Marion gave a brief report on the Sunday School. Child Protection Oversight Committee: Tony reported that the Committee would be meeting on the 27th January. Although NB is coming to the end of his legal restrictions</p>	

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<p>we will continue to monitor. Vince and Tony were seeking an early meeting with the new Diocesan Advisor.</p> <p>Hospitality: No Report</p> <p>Mens Group: Bert reported that attendance is low. He is in discussions with the Methodists and RC's to see if there is an option for a joint group.</p> <p>Buildings – Birstall: There are now two working refurbished toilets (finishing touches required). Spend so far has been £1113.00. The disabled toilet is to be tiled. A skip was hired to remove the debris from the toilet refurbishment together with the accumulated rubbish outside,</p> <p>Buildings – Wanlip: We await formal authority from the DAC to replace the missing roof lead. A letter has been sent to Mr Palmer-Tomkinson asking what he, as a descendent, wishes to do about the memorial that has fallen from the Chancel Wall. The organ tuner has reported that there is some water damage to the organ as a result of the roof damage; this has been reported to our insurers and a formal quotation for the work is awaited.</p>	TB/VJ
<p>7. Rector's Items</p> <p>Jumping Fish: We shall be creating an Easter Tableau in the Church (St James) which will be visited by Riverside School the 4th March. The Tableau will take the form of 6 stations each telling a different part of the Easter story. The tableau will be left in church until the 8th March to enable church members to see it. Help will be required setting up and disassembling. A list of materials that are required (on loan) will be in this weeks information sheet.</p> <p>Secretary: The search continues – it is getting desperate!</p> <p>Lent Course: To enable the Lent course to meet on 5 consecutive Wednesdays the date of the APCM has been changed to Tuesday 24th March. Alastair asked if the Methodists and Catholics have been invited to join us. Vince undertook to invite them.</p> <p>The venue for the course was discussed, Marion preferred the Hall at Wanlip, others considered that St James would be better. Vince undertook to canvass those indicating they would be attending for their preference. John undertook to make a provisional booking for the Hall.</p>	VJ VJ JW
<p>8. Deanery: Bert reported that at the last meeting they had a group discussion on what the Deanery can do for the Parishes. Speakers to be invited to future Deanery Synod Meetings.</p>	
<p>9. Churches Together: The next meeting is on the 5th March at Wanlip – please put this date in your diaries.</p> <p>Beryl asked if we could co-ordinate diaries across all churches so as to avoid clashes of major events e.g. concerts.</p>	ALL
<p>10.Finance: Nikki Wills reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She now had full banking access now. • Figures were ready for Alan Lewin to draw up the annual accounts. • She was attending a meeting at St Martins House to look at a new accounting package that may simplify the job. • Due to problems with the Inland Revenue claims for gift aid/tax back had not been submitted for the last 2 years.; she is now progressing a claim. 	

