

## **BIRSTALL AND WANLIP PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at St.James Church Birstall

**Present:** Revd.V Jupp, Mrs Nicola Wills, Mrs Elaine White, Mr A Lewin,(Treasurer), Miss Sandra Robinson, Mrs Lesley Walton, Mrs Janet Waters, Mrs Gill Pope, Mr Peter Grange, Mr Bert Tegg, Mrs Marion Tegg, Mr Alastair Mc Hugh, Mrs Beryl Mc Hugh, Mr Tony Bloxam, Mr John Ward, Mrs Rita Richards, Mrs Rose Parrott, Mrs Mary Bruce, Mrs Leigh Reid.

In Attendance; Mrs Cicely Plumb: Mrs Annette Marshall

**Apologies;** Mrs Julie Ward

The Meeting opened with a prayer.

### **1. Minutes of meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2014**

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record of the proceedings. Alan Lewin pointed out that it should read surplus not deficit on page 2.

### **2. Matters arising**

Bert Tegg queried the announcement of a new treasurer. Revd.Jupp stated that Mrs Nicola Wills was prepared to stand at the APCM.

### **3. Mission and Evangelism**

(1) Janet Waters gave an update of the bid group meeting for Hallam Fields held on 12<sup>th</sup> March. It is hoped that Birstall Parish Council would be erecting a hall during 2015. Thanks were given for the support shown. It is suggested that intercessors include prayers for the project. Beryl Mc Hugh asked if the congregation were aware of the information about the growth bid for a Community Support Worker for Hallam Fields. Mr Peter Chester will include this on the newsheet. The decision on Hallam Fields will be made on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2014.

(2) Revd. Jupp stated that the Partnership Missional Church has not had time to establish, primarily because of diary commitments, and that a meeting with Rev.David White confirms the Mission Partnership is still alive and well. There will be a conference on change on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014.

(3) Lesley Walton said that there seems to be a clash on Christian Aid Sunday at 6pm. This conflicts with the service at Wanlip and also a speaker. Mrs Walton says this was originally scheduled for the afternoon. Rose Parrott will clarify the situation. It was hoped the Bishop would attend at 6pm but we need a certain answer.

(4) Bert Tegg asked if we are discarding 'Mustering Graciousness'. Revd.Jupp thinks if we say nothing it has discarded itself.

### **4. Finance**

(1) Alan Lewin stated that Walker Road was now vacant. Three valuations had been obtained and it is proposed to market the property with Right Move at

£205,000, bearing in mind that a new kitchen and bathroom were needed. The proposal was carried unanimously. It was also proposed that Barclays Bank be confirmed as our bankers and this also was carried unanimously.

(2) We also need to confirm our auditors as there has been a name change to PWH Accountancy Ltd. The proposal was carried unanimously.

(3) The PCC was taken through the accounts by Alan Lewin and each member is in receipt of a printed copy. Alan made a sanction from the PCC to transfer £10.00 from general funds as the Minne Crofts fund was overdrawn by this amount. All agreed.

(4) Rita Richards pointed out that it seemed a shame that acknowledgement in writing was not forthcoming for the financial contribution of the Sunday Marketplace, but Bert Tegg disagreed thinking that individuals should not be singled out as much good fundraising was being done.

(5) Revd.Jupp asked if there were any questions on the accounts. There were none.

(6) Rose Parrott asked for a vote of thanks for Alan Lewin for his years of hard work as Treasurer. All were in favour.

## **5. Reports in Brief**

(1) Beryl Mc Hugh stated that Revd.Jupp has organised a meeting for those wishing to be trained to participate in the Altogether Services. This will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. All of the Christmas services went well as did the one for the Fire Service, but was there a need to repeat the service at Wanlip as it does involve a lot of hospitality.

(2) Revd Jupp would like to start an All Together Service at Wanlip in September to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month.

(3) Sandra Robinson commented on the social calendar, citing success at both the film night and the Tibet talk and hoping for a good evening for the Swing night on the 14<sup>th</sup> March.

(4) Lesley Walton said that the kitchen is now fully operational and has been used for Hunger Lunches and the CAP courses.

## **5. Buildings**

(1) Birstall: Tony Bloxam reports that the lightening conductor has been tested and that it passed. The clock was serviced and a new 3 year contract accepted at the current rate. The pipe leak has been repaired.

(2) Wanlip: John Ward said the lightening conductor at Wanlip also tested and passed. It is also proposed to hold a cleaning day on 12<sup>th</sup> April. Volunteers welcome.

(3) Rose Parrott will be taking a one year sabbatical and a written letter to this effect has been circulated for which Rose was thanked.

## **5. Rectors Items**

(1) Revd. Jupp asked the PCC to decide whether to use the Liturgy of the Palms or Passion Narrative and the majority agreed on the Passion Narrative.

- (2) A suggestion that people are to be involved in major services as per rota with the option to do a swap if they cannot make it.
- (3) A statement which has been worded by the Diocese has been circulated to each member naming Sandra Robinson as the Adult Protection Officer. All present were in favour of the appointment.
- (4) A request please for a volunteer or two to plan the annual fete. Tony Bloxam thinks 2 people may make this easier. Revd. Jupp will organise a request in the information sheet.

## **6. Extra Item**

Annette Marshall, Child Protection Officer, asked for permission to read a statement. As a result of a remark made to her last week implying a lack of confidentiality, Mrs Marshall feels the need to ask for a vote of Confidence. Rita Richards says that it was herself that made the comment and admits it may have been a little sharp. Revd.Jupp lead a vote of confidence which was carried unanimously.

## **7. Deanery**

Bert Tegg stated that the last meeting had been cancelled. The Archdeacon will visit St James on 20<sup>th</sup> May. Revd. Jupp would like to clarify what role we will play.

## **8. Churches Together**

- (1) Tony Bloxam stated that at the meeting in January it was felt that there were occasions when we had to meet rather than when we want to, so it was decided to let things slide this year. The next meeting is on 16<sup>th</sup> July.
- (2) Rita Richards made a visit to Liverpool with a party including Rev. Rachel Parkinson to view the large puppets. A further meeting will be arranged.

## **9. Correspondence**

None

## **10. Any other business**

The Rectors report will be ready on Sunday so can be included in the bid. Forms are now ready for any applications to the PCC, Deanery and Churchwarden positions.

## **11. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2014 at the APCM at St.James Church

The meeting ended with The Grace.

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