CHRIST CHURCH CLIFTON



Our vision is to be a community of people who reproduce the life of Jesus

PCC MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held at 9.30am on Saturday 24^{th} February 2018

STATUS

Approved 19.03.2018

Present	Brendan Biggs, Alex Creavin, David Daniels, Derek Hadden, Ryan Langdon, Paul Langham,		
	Janet Lee, Sian Lowe (Chair), Adam Marriott, Val Moore, Cluff Noon, Di Noon, Mark Orriss,		
	Mark Parsons (Minutes), Neil Shepherd, Catherine Simmonds, Peter Smithson, Kevin Sto		
	David Troughton, Sara Wadsworth		
Apologies	Erica Bebb, Alice Denyer, Jill Garfitt, Andrew Macpherson, Graham Stuart		

Item	Notes	Action (what)	Who and by when
Introductions and Bible Reflection	PL led the meeting in a reflection on the power of multiplication as applied to prayer, giving and serving. He used input from Exodus 35:1-36:7, Mark 8:1-13 and Nicky Gumbel's commentary from Bible in One Year. This was followed by prayer in small groups.		
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	PL introduced the theme and resources for Easter at Christ Church.		
MAIN ITEMS			
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	PL reminded the meeting of the centrality of the three key words: Connect, Grow and Influence. These are not simply containers for all we do at CC, but words which jointly interrogate all we do. The Comms Group are working on how to communicate this and the other aspects of our vision in the lead up to the APCM. In the meantime, PL and MP are working on letter to the church family outlining our financial needs.		
	PL introduced the three strategic priorities: Small Communities, Leadership Development and Wholeness		
	PL noted how these priorities work out in three specific spheres: Heart for the Individual, Heart for the City and Heart for the Nations.		
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A 2	Facilities Management	MP introduced this item by referring to the previously		
	Paper 02	circulated paper in which Adrian and Gay Sawyer had expressed their intention to stand down from their		
		voluntary caretaking duties at Christ Church at the end of		
		April. He noted that CC had essentially been blessed		
		with an (almost) full-time "facilities manager" through		
		the gift of Gay and Adrian (albeit at no cost to CC) and		
		now they were stepping down there was a significant		
		gap to fill.		
		DH outlined the view of the Standing Committee that		
		this was of sufficient importance and required sufficient		
		time to warrant a paid position and proposed that a		
		portion of the legacy fund be used to fund such an		
		appointment.		
		A discussion followed in which the following points were made:		
		There is both a short term need and a long tern		
		solution. They short term solution may not be the		
		same as the long term one.		
		 Any use of the legacy fund should be limited – eg a one year contract. 		
		We need to consider which roles could be done either		
		by volunteers or by redeploying our existing paid resources.		
		Any volunteers would need supervising. Who would do this?		
		The need for out-of-hours cover should be built into the long term solution.		
		There will be some minor adjustments we can make to the way we operate to make life easier		
		There is the need to expand the sense of ownership of the church building.		
		There is a need to send a clear message to the existing volunteer teams that they will not be abandoned once Gay and Adrian step down.		
		The need to clarify the purpose of the legacy fund was recognised: To discern why God gave it to us at this time, and how it should be used.	Schedule discussion on use of legacy	Standing Committee
		MP proposed a group to consider the various issues raised by Gay and Adrian's "retirement" and bring a proposal or proposals to the March PCC. PS agreed to convene and chair the group. It was agreed that a		DC.
		warden should be on this group. The group would be formed within the next 7 days and PCC members were asked to approach PS if they were willing to participate.	Form a group to consider options	PS For March PCC
		PL reported that a collection will be held within the church family for a gift for Gay and Adrian.		
А3	Renew	PL and MP updated meeting on the latest developments of the RENEW project and showed plans for the redevelopment of the crypt with the provision of a new entrance and accommodation on the north side of the building.		
		Costs are not yet known but early indications are that the project could be achievable from within our current funding.		

		A provisional project timetable has been provided by the architects and MP agreed to circulate this to the PCC.	Circulate Project Timetable	MP ASAP
		A key meeting with city planners will be held on Thursday 1 st March. Members of the PCC were asked to pray for a positive response.	Timetable	
A4	Deanery Synod Report	CN gave a verbal report of the work of the Deanery Synod. The most recent meeting focused on: • Encouraging other churches to get involved with the		
		 Deanery TearFund project Invitational Church – ideas were shared as to how local churches invite people to events. Many are making effective use of social media 		
		Avonmouth and the NW Bristol Foodbank. The church hall is being converted into a social justice centre.		
		Churches noticing they are doing fewer weddings, baptisms and funerals – it is sad that people increasingly see the church as irrelevant at these times.		
В	STANDING ITEMS			
B 1	Approval of minutes Paper 03	The minutes of the PCC Meeting on 22 nd January 2018 were approved with no amendments.		
B 2	PCC Action Tracker Paper 04	PL reported that individuals have been approached for the vacant roles of PCC Secretary and Treasurer. MP has produced a role profile for each role. These posts will be filled by the APCM.		
В 3	Other Minutes Paper 05, 06	The Standing Committee Minutes from 8 th January 2018 were noted.		
		A report from Personnel Group was noted.		
В 4	Finance Report	MP reported that the 2017 accounts were going for independent examination starting 28 th February and should be available for approval by the PCC at the March meeting.		
B 5	Paul's Points	A confidential item has been removed from the public minutes		
		PL gave an update on the appointment process for the next Associate Vicar which should be advertised by the Diocese soon.		
В 6	Warden's Points	SL reported the positive outcome of the recent Triennial Inspection by Archdeacon Christine.		
В 7	Operations Manager's Points	MP updated the meeting on the impact of the GDPR regulations which come into effect on 25 th May 2018 and on the steps that he was taking to ensure Christ Church is compliant.		

B 8	Safeguarding Update	GS reported that Kirsten Fowler, a member of the 5 was willing to fill the vacant Parish Safeguarding Office post with responsibility for children. Her appointment was		
		proposed by SW, seconded by DH and approved unanimously. SW reported that further safeguarding training dates are being organised for the rest of the year, and dates will be circulated to PCC members needing training in due course.	Circulate Training Dates	SW / MP In due course
		SW updated the meeting on the implementation of the new Parish Safeguarding Policy, agreed in January. The guidance notes will be revised once SW has met with all the relevant teams.	Revise guidance notes	SW Following meeting with teams
	Review of the Meeting	It was noted that the meeting had been enjoyable, turnout was good, and the church was a better venue for PCC meetings than Linden Gate.		
	Conflicts of Interest			
	Confidentiality	An item in B5 (Paul's points)		
	Communication	RL agreed to write a summary for the church family email.		
	Next Meeting	Monday 19 th March, 7:30pm in Linden Gate.		

The meeting closed with prayer at 12:28 pm

Future Meetings: Mon 19th March, Fri Eve, 11th & Sat 12th May, Mon 25th June, Sat 14th Jul