

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, TANSLEY

Minutes of a meeting of the Parochial Church Council held in Church on Wednesday 11 September 2013 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting was opened with a prayer from Revd. Adrian Smith.

Present:

Valerie Rigarlsford (Lay Chair), Bob Ball, Pat Brewster, Geoff Crapper, Mary Eatherden, Pauline Goult (Secretary), June Greatorex, Russell Lane, John Rigarlsford, Hazel Slack

Visitor - Revd Adrian Smith, Ecumenical Observer (Tansley Methodist Church)

13/5.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Revd Richard Reade (on sabbatical), Jean Turner.

13/5.2 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 24 July 2013 were signed by the Lay Chair, Mrs Valerie Rigarlsford, as a true record.

13/5.3 MATTERS ARISING

13/3.4 Appointment of Officers

- **Village Hall Representative** - as Stanley Johnston was not able to take up this post, the search was still on for a willing volunteer.
- **Health and Safety** - Chris Windle confirmed he would be able to continue as Health and Safety representative.
- **Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults Office** - the secretary had been in contact with Mr Chris Maycock and he had confirmed he would be willing to continue in this capacity.

13/5.4 QUINQUENNIAL REPAIRS, ETC

- **Removal of Pews from Organ Loft** - to apply for a faculty to carry out this work, Russell Lane requested the written agreement of the PCC at this meeting. It was therefore proposed by Mary Eatherden and seconded by June Greatorex that the PCC should apply for a faculty to carry out this work. The minute was recorded and signed by Mrs V Rigarlsford (Lay Chair) and Mrs P Goult (Secretary) and handed to Mr Lane.

13/5.5 CORRESPONDENCE

- Mr Bob Ball had received a request for donations from the Leprosy Mission. After discussed it was proposed to send a donation of £40, this was seconded by Mr Chris Windle and unanimously agreed.
- A letter had been received from a Mrs P Hurst regarding suggested vandalism in the church yard. The secretary to send a letter in acknowledgement.
- Mrs Ball had sent a note requesting that the PCC send a letter to Mrs Lynn Armstrong with thanks for the cards she makes for sale in Holy Trinity church and the resulting donations.

13/5.6 FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP

The Treasurer went through the Holy Trinity finances as at 11 September 2013 in detail. Total funds including investments were £58,521.91 and the FOTC balance as at 31 August 2013 was £4,082. He reminded the PCC that there was an Ecclesiastic Insurance visit on 18 September.

13/5.7 MISSION ACTION PLAN

- It was noted that the Church Open Day was organised and notices, etc. arranged.

13/5.8 SABBATICAL ISSUES

All contact details and issues that may arise during Revd Reade's Sabbatical were dealt with at the PCC meeting held on 24 July and at the Standing Committee meeting held on 19 August 2013.

13/5.9 ECUMENICAL

- **Holy Trinity Church Open Day and "Ride and Stride"** - Saturday 14 September. Neil Clarke to do a short organ recital at 1.15pm. Refreshments will be available.
- **United Methodist Harvest Service** - Sunday 15 September at 6pm at the Chapel.
- **'Messy Church'** – the first session to take place on Wednesday 18 September 2013. June and Hazel attended the organisers' meeting and explained to the PCC meeting the arrangements that had been made.
- **United Holy Trinity Harvest Service** - 9.15am on Sunday 22 September followed by Parish Breakfast at Holy Trinity. Collection to be given to USPG.
- **Holy Trinity Gift Day** - to take place in the village hall on Saturday 26 October 10am to 12pm.
- **Christmas Tree Festival** - 14-17 December 10am to 4pm each day with light refreshments.

13/5.10 FUTURE EVENTS

- **Methodist Church Council Meeting** - Wednesday 25 September. Bob Ball agreed to attend as ecumenical observer.
- **Last Thursday Meeting** - Thursday 26 September at 7.30pm in the Brunswick Rooms. There will be a talk by Revd. Keith Bamford on "The Story of My Life" followed by a discussion on the future, venues etc.
- **Teanies' All Day Breakfast** - 17-24 November with proceeds to Holy Trinity Church funds.
- **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 January 2014** - it was recognized that this would need to be organised in advance of Revd Reade's return. Mary Eatherden and Valerie Rigarlsford agreed to act as coordinators to organise this event with Pat Brewster's assistance.

13/5.11 HEALTH AND SAFETY

With regard to health and safety, Holy Trinity is a safe place. The Ecclesiastic insurers have provided a list of items to be inspected, i.e. test for fixed electrical wiring, lightning conductor maintenance and an asbestos survey. They will be on site at 2pm on 18 September.

The next PCC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 13 November 2013 at 7.30pm and in Revd Reade's absence the meeting would be chaired by Val Rigarlsford.

The meeting ended with The Grace at 9.00pm.