

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, TANSLEY

Minutes of a meeting of the Parochial Church Council held in Church Wednesday 12 November 2014 at 7.30 pm

The meeting opened with a reading and a prayer.

Present:

Reverend Richard Reade (Chair), Bob Ball, Geoff Crapper, Kath Cummings, Mary Eatherden, Pauline Goult (Secretary), John Rigarlford (from 8.10pm), Valerie Rigarlford, Hazel Slack.

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

14/7.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Russell Lane, June Greatorex and Jean Turner.

14/7.2 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 September 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

14/7.3 MATTERS ARISING

14/5.4 Ian Atkin hopes to have the chancel spotlight fitted before Christmas.

14/6.3 **Wheelchair equipment** - Bob Ball had obtained some information on wheelchair equipment but it was generally thought that this method would be too expensive.

14/6.7 **Disabled Access** - it was agreed that a disabled access would have to fit in with the character of the church. The PCC agreed that professional advice would be helpful and Reverend Reade said he would contact the DAC secretary, Helen Powell, to see if she could provide contact details for someone who might visit the church and give some thoughts on the way forward. It was noted that there are grants available to assist with installing a disabled access.

James Neville had not been contacted yet regarding work on the footpath to the church.

14/6.8 **WW1 Exhibition** - Reverend Reade thanked Mary Eatherden, Bob Ball and everyone involved in putting together a very professional WW1 exhibition.

Harvest Service - it was a lovely service at Home Farm and much enjoyed by all.

14/6.10 The additional copies of "complete Mission Praise" were due to arrive tomorrow.

14/7.4 CORRESPONDENCE

≡ Reverend Reade summarised a letter received from Bishop Alistair regarding changes in the implementation of MAP which were due to take place at the start of 2015.

14/7.5 ADVENT/CHRISTMAS 2014

Wednesday 3 December at 3.30pm - Messy Church
Sunday 7 December at 4.00pm - Christingle
Thursday 11 December at 6.30pm - School Carol Service
Saturday 13 - Tuesday 16 December - Christmas Tree Festival
Saturday 13 December at 7.30pm - Pye Hill Male Voice Choir Concert
Sunday 21 December at 2.00pm - Holy Baptism
Christmas Eve at 6.00pm - Crib Service at Tansley Methodist Church
Christmas Eve at 11.30pm - Midnight Mass at All Saints
Christmas Day at 9.15am - Holy Communion
Sunday 28 December at 9.15am - Holy Communion
(There will be no Wednesday 9.30am Service on 24 and 31 December)

14/7.6 FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP

- ≡ The Treasurer went through the finances as at 12 November 2014. There was a loss from the start of the year of £5,137.32. The FOTC balance as at 31 October was £3,049.
- ≡ Reverend Reade requested that a donation be sent to the United Society to include £157 which was raised by Richard and Katie Reade on a sponsored walk, the Harvest donation of £20 and a donation of £43 from Holy Trinity - proposed by Hazel Slack, seconded by Kath Cummings and all agreed in favour.
- ≡ **Internet Café Donation** - likely to be discontinued after discussion at the next "Tansley Churches Together meeting".
- ≡ **FOTC** - following a cheque donation from a visitor to the church it was discovered that the account information on the FOTC form was incorrect and that no such account existed. This would need to be followed up with the Robert Raynes and Geoff Crapper.
- ≡ **Church Fees** - the church fees were agreed as shown on the form circulated to the PCC. Reverend Reade suggested that Local Charges should be as follows for 2015: Verger £30, Organist £50 (if video £70) - proposed by Geoff Crapper, seconded by Hazel Slack and all agreed in favour.

14/7.7 DEANERY SYNOD REPORT

Reverend Reade summarised the Wirksworth Deanery Synod Briefing held on Thursday 16 October at Holy Trinity Tansley. Amongst other matters the following were discussed :

- ≡ Many parishes were struggling with payment of their Parish Share. Diocese collection rate at 90% is the lowest in the country.
- ≡ The appointment of a Pioneer Curate who is likely to be ordained summer 2015 to be placed jointly with D Battison and D Truby.
- ≡ Tourism Leaflets featuring all Deanery churches are being distributed to churches and tourist destinations.
- ≡ Proposals for restructuring and combining existing Derbyshire Deaneries into eight and each headed by a dedicated part-time Rural Dean.

14/7.8 ECUMENICAL MATTERS

- ≡ **Tansley Churches Together Meeting** - Tuesday 25 November at 2pm.
- ≡ **Joint Leaflet showing the Profile of the both Tansley Churches** - Reverend Reade has a computer copy available to enable this leaflet to be updated.

14/7.9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 14 January 2015 at 7.30pm

The meeting closed with prayers at 9.05pm.