

## **Parish of Great Missenden with Ballinger and Little Hampden**

Minutes of the PCC meeting held in the Church of St Peter and St Paul on Tuesday  
7<sup>th</sup> March 2017-03-14

**Present:** Rosie Harper, Helen Clark, Sally Clark, Martyn Green, Brenda Harris, David Harris, Wendy Harris, Ken Harratt, Chris Nickless, Sue O'Farrell, Vicky Preece.

**Apologies:** Tricia Neale, Carolyn Bailey, Margaret Gordon, Philippa Howells, Mike O'Farrell, Val Withams, Christopher Figg.

The meeting started with a prayer.

Rosie explained that Helen Biggerstaff had resigned her position which she did not feel was tenable after the discussion on tutorials.

**1. The Minutes** of the meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 were agreed and signed.

### **2. Matters Arising:**

- **Chancel Steps:** No further progress will be made with this until a decision about whether or not to purchase a new console is made.
- **Little Hampden Faculty:** check whether this is through **SOF**
- **Organ:**  
Any further niggles will be dealt with by Village Workshop without charge  
It could take up to a year for the organ to be in.  
If the dryness proves too much a humidifier may be needed  
The organ will be tuned over the next few weeks and this will be a cost.
- **Dog waste bin:** A letter from the council has been received regarding a dog waste bin. It was agreed to go back to the Council and explore in greater depth possible alternatives and costs. **WH**
- **CCTV:** Homeguard have been contacted and a quote of £1400 has been received for two outside cameras. Discussion as to whether an inside camera was needed and Homeguard will be contacted to ask their opinion. The PCC gave agreement to extend the expenditure to £2000 to include one inside camera if recommended. The Friends to be approached to ask if they are prepared to help with this cost. The recommendation that the gates should be locked at night and the need for them to be left open to allow access for the waste to be collected and whether electronic gates could be fitted was discussed. An Archdeacon's licence may be needed. Sally was thanked for all her work. **MOF/SC/RH**

**3. Choir lighting:** Sally Clark presented a report to the PCC on lighting in the church. There will be a site meeting on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> March at 10 am with Aidan Sharp of Iluma to look at the lighting in the whole of the church. This will be attended by Laurence Clark, Sally Clark, David Harris, Ken Harratt and Rosie Harper. The possibility of a temporary fix of LED lighting in the choir stalls is being considered **RH/KH**

**4. Fundraising:** Science festival was a success with the profits being shared 50/50 between the church and the charity African Village Support. David Harris thanked his very good team.

**5. Finance:** Martyn presented the draft budget and proposed the draft accounts are accepted by the PCC subject to the agreement of the auditor. Brenda Harris

seconded this. *(This was finalised and agreed at a meeting of the PCC in Church after the 10 am service on 23<sup>rd</sup> April)* Martyn thanked Laurence Clark for all his help and suggested a cashier is set up for each fundraising event. Rosie thanked Martyn for all his work.

The Finance Group is meeting once a month and looking at all aspects. Helen Clark talked us through the new General Data Protection Regulations which will be starting from May 2018 and said that more explicit permission is going to be needed from individuals. Mary Sayward to be contacted for more information.

Penalties will be incurred if the regulations are not followed and it is our responsibility to ensure everything in place and an officer in charge of this should be considered

**RH/HC**

**6. The Yurt:** The cost for the Yurt complete with lighting and heating will be around £6000/£7000 and will be used for Sunday school and Youth work. There were concerns about who would manage this and how to use it to the best advantage. There is a need to involve young families. The PTA at the school might be interested and the School might also find a use as an extra classroom. Rosie will speak to the congregation on Sunday.

**RH**

**7. AOB:**

- Vicky Preece recommended a Safeguarding DVD currently with Rosie
- Chris Nickless asked if it was possible at services with a printed booklet that the words the choir are singing are printed in the leaflet instead of the readings which are accessible from the Bibles in the pews.

**WH**

The meeting finished with the Grace.

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