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Minutes of the full PCC meeting held on Monday 19th June 2023 at 7pm in the Church Centre

In Attendance:

Mike Smith
Derek Harbottle
Lizbeth Harbottle
Dave Hopkins
Liz Hopkins
Louisa Messenger
John Mayne
Pat Hartwell
Tom Poulton
Ally Morgan
Liz Ashenden
Claire Otter

1 - *The meeting opened with prayer.***2 - Apologies**

Linda Vogwell
Michael Owens

3 - Previous Minutes

The minutes of the PCC meeting from Monday 24th April 2023 were drawn to everyone's attention. There were no comments made and these minutes were accepted as a correct record. Proposed by Pat Hartwell and seconded by Dave Hopkins.

4 - Actions/Matters arising from PCC Minutes

i - Church Tower Security - After being informed that the church is now secure, sadly there has been another break in, the lock has been tampered with and the stonework damaged.

ii - Church Porch Mat – We have a lovely new church porch mat and we would like to say a big thank you to Pat Evans.

iii - Parish Share - The Diocese want an additional 2% - The Diocese want to raise the parish share and we discussed if we could tie that in with having a Curate. Mike said this could be a 7

year plan and may feed into the 2% decision. The Diocese has not set a timescale for this additional 2%. **ACTION** - Mike to put this onto September's agenda.

iv - Giving Sunday 25th June 9am & 10.30am & Smartie Tubes - Derek asked for volunteers to give out the smartie tubes. **ACTION** Liz Hopkins kindly volunteered to do this at the 9.30 service and Mike and the 10.30 one.

v - 100 Club - If we are to carry on with the 100 club Mike asked if anyone was willing to promote and push it. It could be advertised as a donation with the chance of reward. A vote was taken to see who was in favour of the 100 club continuing, 8 in favour and 3 against.

ACTION Ally Morgan kindly agreed to help with support from Liz Ashenden. Many thanks to you both.

Claire Otter suggested a "stretch a £10" idea. The church provides £10 to whoever wants to take part. The idea is to see how creative you can be to grow this £10. For example a cake sale or a plant night. At the end of the fund raising if you haven't managed to grow the £10 you give it back or if you have then the proceeds go to the church. Mike is keen on this idea.

ACTION - Mike to put a sign up sheet for this Sunday.

5 - Development of Glebe Land

Update:Raymond Otter & Derek Harbottle. (Full Team: Raymond, Derek & Mike Smith)

No response to invitations from Ben Preece-Smith

A map of the land was passed round. This is being updated and will follow under separate cover.

We will have the garden to do as we see fit. The two trees at the front have Tree Preservation Orders.

Mike asked if we are happy to accept this as a working proposal, Dave Hopkins proposed and Louisa Messenger seconded.

Plans to be presented to the Glebe & Endowment Committee.

We can hopefully now move forward with the garden. A question was asked "will there be enough space for lets say bouncy castles and would it be a safe space?"

ACTION- Mike will send this plan with a note to G&E informing them of what is happening.

Mike would like the diocese to take ownership of their bit of land i.e. weeds and we will look after our.

Do we get a working party together to try and cut back all the overgrown bushes. Mike has been quoted £450 for a gardener to clear it and just put it in the middle. To take it away too would be £750. One idea was a garden party community event i.e. come and help clear the

site and get a burger. How about a Bio mass challenge? **ACTION** Tom Poulton has volunteered to move this forward to promote and advertise it. It was suggested that a Drone would be a good idea to view the area and advertise it as the “lost garden of Brockworth!”

6 - Finance

Update from Derek - There were no questions on the general fund which was circulated. Derek mentioned there may be a few savings later on in the year but ideally we would like a bit more income. So far £2,270 has been raised.

ACTION - Mike to point people to donate through the website and to mention the Smartie tubes with a return date of the beginning of September and then again at Harvest.

We need a couple more signatories on the account and Pat Hartwell and Dave Hopkins have agreed for their names to be added. Therefore bank account signatories are now Mike, Derek, Pat, Dave and Linda.

7 – Buildings & Infrastructure.

The Porch has been completed.

Mike has contacted another electrician for a quote on dimmable LED lighting as we want to be able to dim lights for functions.

Audio Equipment in Church is still ongoing as is Hall Hire & Promotion.

8 - Safeguarding - Update from Liz Hopkins

ACTION Those who have yet to do their DBS, Liz asked if this could be done asap please.

The Basic Awareness training went well on Monday 12th June and certificates will be issued shortly.

A reminder of dates if you wish to attend:

Church Centre: Monday 3rd July 7pm-830pm – Foundation

Church Centre: Monday 10th July 7pm-830pm – Domestic Abuse

ACTION If you haven't done so already, please could you let Liz Hopkins know how you will be completing your training. All training needs to be completed by Monday 10th July 2023.

9 - **Deanery Synod Report** - there is a meeting on 19 July 2023

10 - There was no other business

Date of Next Meeting: PCC meeting 18th September @ 7pm Church Centre

SC 17th July 2023 @ 7pm Church Centre

[No meeting in August]

Closing in Prayer