St George's Church, Wilton

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Parochial Church Council** held on Monday 4th December 2017 at 7pm at St Michaels Galmington

Present	James Clapham (Chair); Chris Michell; Jenny Norman;
	lan Pinder; Rachel Pinder; Pete McKegney; Clare Steel; Peter Joyce. Mike Yardley
	(Vice Chair); Hilary Buckley; Bethan Baigent.
Apologies	

Ref	Item and Action	Action	By When
I.	Reflection and Prayer James introduced the meeting with a short reflection and Clare Steel led with prayer.		
2.	Apologies Apologies were received from Pete McKegney and John Page		
3.	Matters Arising from the Minutes		
	It was agreed to move these to the next PCC Meeting in January 2018		
4.	Finance		
	4.1 Quarter 3 Finance Report		
	Bethan handed out the report to the PCC in the absence of the Treasurer.		
5.	Safeguarding		
	James reminded all that safeguarding is led by our Diocese Bishop Peter and welcomed Liz Flower, St George's Safeguarding Office to the meeting.		
	Liz took the PCC through a previously circulated safeguarding quiz to reaffirm the policy.		
	Action:		
	 Have available the Safeguarding "Safer Church" booklet in the Church as well as one in the Church Office. 	ВВ	I2 th Dec
	A discussion was held about risk assessments and when the need should arise for one. It was agreed that one should be written for regular Church events such as Soup Lunches and Harvest Supper		
	Action:	Dalayant	
	Write Risk Assessments for Soup Lunch and Harvest Supper	Relevant Team	End of Feb 18
	Liz explained the need for recording full information with pastoral visits and home communions. Time in and out of the property should be noted and someone informed of whereabouts and times.		ו פט וס
	Action:	All	

	Record on the home communion sheet and in the visits book all timings of visitations.	relevant people	
	Liz informed the PCC of all relevant people and positions required to do the Safeguarding training. All agreed it would be helpful to have a trainer to hold a morning of Safeguarding training at St Georges and invite all required to be trained. Consider inviting the Scout Group. Action:		
	 Arrange a date for the Diocese Trainer to come to St George's 	Liz Flower	End of Jan 18
6.	PCC Away Day		
	James reminded all about the exercise led by John Truscott on "what would you see at St Georges after 5 years". James thanked Jenny for her hard work collating all the feedback and the Feedback Team for compiling a list of actions.		
	James asked the PCC to think of those actions which would be quickly achievable and that should these be identified for a group to be formed to monitor the progress.		
	James reminded the PCC on John Truscott's thoughts on the current strapline "A step closer to God, friends and real life."		
	Peter Joyce explained that the feedback fell into 3 different areas:	ALL	31 May
	 Accessibility 		
	Growing the Church		
	Relationship/Fellowship		
	After discussions on these areas it was agreed that action and information should gathered on:		
	A new website		
	Lighting in Church – brighter / adjustable		
	New sound /tech system.		
	Peter informed that he was in contact already with a sound/tech company and should assume this could be a 6-12 month project.		
	Action		
	Design and create a new website	BB PJ	
	Contact Lighting Specialists to quote on costs Contact the two Sound companies met at CRE to visit and	٠,	
	 Contact the two Sound companies met at CRE to visit and quote. 	PJ	
	A discussion was then had regarding the ambitious/risk ideas from the feedback such as removal of pews, the use of the Hall, toilets and coffee in Church.		
	lan Pinder suggested that the decorating project as suggested could be tied in with the new lighting or the new sound system. Peter Joyce confirmed there was already a quote for £12,500 to fix the stone work on the tower and there is outstanding quinquennial work to be completed.		
	lan Pinder suggested a figure to be calculated and given to the congregation.		

After hearing about a visit to Trent Vineyard Church, a discussion was held about the worship music in the services. This was a high priority in the feedback and it was felt that not having enough modern worship was holding the church back.		
Action:		
 Meeting with Choir to inform them of the Away Day feedback and to look at how to move forward incorporating more modern worship into our services. 	CS and MY	
Clare Steel brought to attention as Home Group Co-ordinator the complication that there are no willing hosts.		
Action:		
 Put in NewsBoard an article about Home Groups, hosting and Lent Groups 	вв / јС	
Carole Smith suggested having a Comments Box for the congregation to have. Postcards to write on could be available and posted into a box for an opportunity to put ideas forward. Action:		
 Look into a suitable box and resources to use as a Comments Box 	ВВ	End of Jan 18
Thanks were noted to Rachel Pinder and Judith Pickle for their initiative to have a meal at the Vivary Arms for those on their own or lonely or in need of fellowship. A very successful occasion which will be repeated.		
Action:		
Look into ways of helping with transport to those in church and community with difficulties		
Easter Sunday will fall on a 4Everyone Service. This may not suit all as a communion would be expected on Easter Sunday. Mike Yardley reminded that a short service followed by a short communion had worked well on other occasions.		
Action:		
Look at what would be the best style of service for Easter	JC	
Jenny Norman offered the involvement of the cubs to help at a 4Everyone Service. James said that he would look at a suitable month for the cubs to lead the service		
Action:		
Book a 4Everyone Service with the Cubs	JC	
Carole Smith said how powerful it was hearing Rev Stuart Rason's testimony at the previous 4Everyone and how more could testimonies could be used going forward. The Gideons last service was also well received.		
Action:		
Look at different people willing to share their testimony and incorporate into more services.		

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7.	Any Other Business		
	The next few months Christian Concerns Charity Collections.		
	Christian Giving were received with thanks		
17.	Review of the Meeting		
	In reviewing the meeting, it was concluded that:		
	It was slightly too long.		
	 Items that were discussed though were very interesting and challenging. 		
19.	PCC Meeting Dates		
	None set at meeting but to be emailed out.		
	Action:		
	Email PCC Members of date	ВВ	Beg Jan 18
20.	Prayer		
	Bethan Baigent offered to lead the next meeting in prayer.	ВВ	
21.	End		
	The meeting closed with the saying of the Grace at 9.40pm.		
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