

St Margaret of Antioch, Crick

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Minutes of Parochial Church Council Meeting
Held on the 21st October 2013 at St Margaret's Church

Present	The Reverend David Lake	Chairman
	David Milne	Church Warden
	Andy Hopkins	Church Warden
	Chrissie Turner	Secretary
	Helen Lee	Treasurer
	Sue Herrington	
	John Rogers	
	David Turner	

Meeting opened at 7:30pm

Opening prayer and Reading by the Rector

Meeting Chaired by The Reverend David Lake

		Action
Item 1	Apologies Brian Hemmings	
Item 2	Notification of Any Other Business Update on proposed loan of wheelchair	AH
Item 3	Signing of the minutes for Meeting held on 2nd September 2013 Minutes read, slight amendment to Item 14 made, and duly signed.	
Item 4	Matters arising from this meeting on 2nd September 2013 It was decided that a special meeting to discuss Mission Actions for the Church was not necessary as there was always an item on the Agenda for Mission. A discussion took place concerning the whereabouts of an organ that used to be in the Church and it was decided that this was no longer in the building. It was also suggested that a further tidy up could take place of the toys and items held for the use of Little Saints and SH offered to ask Zona & Vicki their opinion. SH also offered to lead a team to then tidy up the crèche room.	SH
Item 5	Correspondence A letter received from Sheila Robertson concerning the loan of an amplifier to St Margaret's was read out. This piece of equipment will be on loan until the installation of the new Sound System is in place.	
Item 6	Finance A finance report was given with some tabulated figures showing income and expenditure comparing this year to date and last	

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	<p>year to December. Concerns were shown around the table that the Parish Share was not being matched by the amount of regular giving and would eventually cause a deficit over the year. Once the new accounting system produced a spread sheet type report hopefully from January 2014 onwards, it would be easier to keep watch on this situation more accurately. The Parish Council have over past years given a grant to help with the insurance premium. However through no fault of any individual, a change was made to the application process for this grant and subsequently no application was made in October 2012 which would have provided help with the insurance premium due in December 2013. HL has already made the necessary application for this year, which hopefully will result in a grant payment for 2014. She has also agreed to attend the Parish Council AGM in May 2014 to ensure the application is heard. HL stated that at present there are sufficient funds in the current account to pay the annual insurance premium in December. It was suggested by DL that we should look into maybe insuring either 75% or 50% of the Church Insurance Value to reduce the premium. HL was asked to look into this possibility.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">HL</p> <p style="text-align: right;">HL</p>
<p>Item 7</p>	<p>Stewardship BH e-mailed that he had three new applications for regular giving but HL was unsure whether these had started payments yet. Two individual payments had been received into the Church bank account. The new Church leaflets had now been delivered across the whole village. In early January 2014, BH hopes to make the next gift aid application for the previous year, but in his absence DM pointed out that the application would only apply to the previous tax year.</p>	
<p>Item 8</p>	<p>Review of recent events/services The wedding party held on 12th October was a big success, despite wet weather to start with. About 20 people turned out including several of the Youth Alpha youngsters and the weather took a turn for the better. Windows were cleaned as well so it has now been suggested by AH that a quarterly event takes place to try and keep on top of the weeding.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">AH</p>
<p>Item 9</p>	<p>Mission DL asked that PCC members ensured that Little Saints families were made welcome at that service and engaged in conversation with the aim to establish good relationships. HL said that she felt that Alpha was very bonded this year, and that people seemed to be able to bring their problems to the group and feel free and able to discuss them with each other. TGI Group had 13 young people attend last month. The PCC also heard some very encouraging feedback from this year's adult Alpha.</p>	
<p>Item 10</p>	<p>Faculty for new Sound System This has now been signed off and DM asked if he had the PCC's endorsement to go ahead with arranging the installation. It was agreed by all that as he had been so involved with this project that would be best. He gave a brief explanation about where everything would go and DL asked that he contacted the</p>	

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	installers promptly. There is to be a new loop system installed alongside the sound system. DM was thanked for all his hard work in applying for the faculty and the success of the application by the Chair.	
Item 11	Sanctuary Lamp Update The lamps have been removed under the recommendations of the last electrical inspection. Consideration was given to the now redundant chains that have been left in place but they are too high and heavy for removal by ladder. DM said he would ask the Sound System Installers if they could look at the problem when installing that, as they will be working at the same level to fit the screen in place.	AH DM
Item 12	Three Churches Newsletter DT has spoken to Peter Munn who said he will continue to provide information about Lilbourne events. The present software he has can't be transferred to another system, but BH has said he would like to assist DT in the production of the newsletter. IM will also continue with spiritual contributions. DT asked if the LMT needed to approve each copy before printing and DL stated that he was happy for DT to make the newsletter his own and to give DT full Editorial discretion. JR suggested that for DT's piece of mind, perhaps this could be raised at the LMT meeting which DT asked DL to do on his behalf. DT will contact Peter Munn and ask him to produce a notice of November and December services. <i>* With regards - stewardship.</i>	DT DL DT
Item 13	The Rotas for Christmas Services These were discussed and volunteers offered for both the Crib and Midnight Services on the 24 th December 2013. AH will be Verger at the Crib service at 4.00pm with KH, HL & AR volunteering for being sidespersons at that service. DM will be the Verger for the Midnight Service at 11.30pm with DT, CT & HL offering to do the sidesperson role. Both the Carol Service on the 22 nd December at 6.00pm and Christmas Day Service at 9.45am will be included in the agenda for the next meeting.	
Item 14	FOSM Update DM confirmed that funds are still being raised for the Restoration of the Church through the Curry and Casserole evenings.	DM
Item 15	Future dates The next meeting of the PCC will take place on 25 th November 2013 at 7.30pm in the Church building. All members are reminded to bring their 2014 diaries to enable future dates for the PCC meetings to be discussed.	
Item 16	AOB AH had made some initial enquiries about the maintenance issues of retaining a wheelchair for use on Church premises, but could not report at present. This item is pending.	AH

The meeting closed at 9.35pm with the PCC saying the Grace
Date of next meeting 25th November 2013 @ 7.30pm, Church

Signed *DM. Lohs*
Date *25th November 2013*