

St Margaret of Antioch, Crick

~Responding to God's Love~

Minutes of the Parochial Church Council Meeting held in the Old School, Crick

Wednesday 17 March, 2010

The Reverend David Lake opened the meeting with a short act of worship.

Present:	Chairman	The Reverend David Lake
	Acting Secretary	Rosanna Atkins
	Church Warden	Dave Milne
	Church Warden	Craig Walford

Andy Hopkins
Julia Potts
Colin Mynott
Nigel Howard
Debby Kristen

Meeting opened at 7.30pm

Item 1

Apologies: Patricia Lake

Item 2

Notification of any other business – None

Item 3

Signing of the Minutes

The minutes of the PCC meeting held on the 20 January, 2010 were signed by the Revd. David Lake as being accurate and correct. One copy to be placed in the master file and one displayed in the church porch notice board.

Item 4

Matters arising from the meeting on 20 January 2010

John Allen to install time clock at a cost of £30.

Item 5

Stewardship and Funding

Mr Paul Adams the Stewardship and Funding Officer of Peterborough Diocese made a presentation to the committee entitled "Stewardship and Funding". The presentation was to show how we could improve and maintain funding to cover the costs of running the church. Following on from this it was agreed that Craig Walford would oversee the new funding planning starting with a meeting with Paul.

Item 6

New Treasurer

Leigh White has kindly offered to take on the role of Treasurer following Colin Mynott's decision to retire. Leigh works for Network Rail as a Commercial Quantity Surveyor, managing their accounts. The PCC does not have to wait for the APCM to appoint a new treasurer. If the PCC agree to Leigh's appointment, she can be co-opted at the next meeting after the APCM.

David Lake proposed Leigh, which was seconded by ??????. All agreed. Colin has very kindly offered to train and induct Leigh into the intriguing mysteries of the PCC accounts.

Item 6a

Deanery Synod Report

Debby proceeded to read out the report which will appear in the TCN.

Item 7

Action for the Specification

The Diocese Advisory Committee have requested information on the action to be taken/or taken so far with the restoration of the church building. David Lake to refer them to John Barker.

Item 8

2009 examined accounts

Colin read out and has posted a complete set of accounts in the church porch. Notable points:

- Deficit of £6,015 this year
- Planned Giving is falling
- High expenses – boarding up windows and electrical repair £4,500
- Total costs run to £3,000 per month
- Total income is £2,500 per month

At this point, David told the PCC that he had received a cheque, bequeathed by the late Gill Goodridge's estate and payable to St Margaret's Church, for the sum of £6000. David spoke very warmly about this generous act and the continued affection with which Gill is remembered by parishioners, passing comment, also, on the rather curious coincidence that the treasurer, having just made his projection, that, as a result of some heavy expenditure, including the boarding up of two windows, it was expected that the accounts for St Margaret's church would show a deficit of £6,000. God, appears, indeed to move in mysterious ways.

Colin left the meeting at 9.30pm

Item 9

Preparing for the APCM

Reports need to be circulated at least 2 weeks before the APCM

Craig W and Dave M to organise and circulate reports.

Rosanna requested that a copy be given to her in plenty of time for the APCM

Reminder the date for the APCM is **Wednesday 21 April at 7.30pm**

Item 10

“Our Mission”

It was decided to leave this discussion until the APCM

Item 11

Heritage Lottery Fund Plaque

As part of the agreement between ourselves and the Heritage Lottery Fund, we have to install a small plaque in the church. From a selection of designs, a plaque was agreed upon which will be screwed to the notice board in church.

Item 12

Repairs to Church Roof

A cheque for £3,148.80 was agreed to pay John Barker.

Item 13

Restoration Progress

Dave Milne, Andy Hopkins and Dave Sweeney from Friends of St Margaret's are the steering committee. They have commissioned John Barker to carry out the work. Timeline is on track.

Item 14

New Services

The new services are going really well. This especially applies to "Family Service" where numbers have shown an increase.

Item 15

Access Audit

Andy H is checking with English Heritage about what is exactly required.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm with the group saying *The Grace* together.

Next meeting: THURSDAY 20th MAY, 2010 AT 7.30PM.