

St Mary's Parochial Church Council

Monday 12th April 2021. 7.30pm on Zoom

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Alison

1. Attendance

Present Revd Amanda Barraclough, Revd Robert Heaton, Roland Lumby, Betty Brockman, Alison Lumby, Derek Barraclough, Ray Ekins, , Irene Heaton, Heather Mears, Janet Scott, Anne Smith. 11

Apologies, Barbara Perry, Andrea Offord, Hilary Downs 3

2. Approval of Minutes

PCC 8th March 2021

Proposed by Alison, seconded by Roland. Passed unanimously.

3. Matters Arising.

Cremated Remains Area.

Monumental Masons have offered to make plaques for each end of the path free of charge.

Bridget's have said it is not possible to inscribe numbers in the concrete stones. They will provide and fit 47 numbered stones and a wooden edging to the path for £5,852 +VAT. Roland said a portion of the fee for the interments will cover the cost. Betty proposed proceeding and applying for a Faculty, seconded by Robert, agreed unanimously. **Roland**

4. Correspondence

Amanda has replied to the letter from Isabel and Dave Mears outlining the discussion by the PCC.

5. Lease for the Barn

The name and postcode have been confirmed. The Lease was approved by the Standing Committee. Amanda has signed it and sent it to the solicitor and to the Diocese. 2 parking bays parallel to the Barn wall will be identified by signs on the wall.

6. Administrator

Rachel Towers started today and will work on Mondays and Fridays from 9.30am to 2.30pm.

7. MAP 4

Amanda has submitted the document to the Diocese.

Meeting with Libby Culmer

Libby gave a presentation on fund raising and the Generous June initiative. PCC discussed the possibilities and decided the best way would be to set up a "Friends of St Mary's" group to organise social activities and fund raising. Libby will give advice on the relationship between the Friends and the Church. **Amanda**

PCC discussed Ray's proposal for a garden party in his garden for church members to bring a friend. **Ray**

Roger Offord will advertise in a local magazine for people to join a maintenance group. **Roger**

8. Lights for Christ Learning Hub

There has not been a meeting since the last PCC. There will be a full day Diocesan meeting on Zoom this Saturday when St Mary's will lead the worship. **Amanda. Robert**

9. Treasurer's Report

A final grant of £8,000 for loss of income has been received.

The annual accounts have been signed off by the accountants and will be submitted to the Sheffield Diocesan Board of Finance.

A Financial Meeting has been arranged for some PCC members at 7.30 on 29th April on Zoom. Proposals for arrangements of church investment accounts and movement of money between church funds will be discussed, to be approved by PCC later. Allocation of income from the Barn will be discussed.

Ray. Amanda

9a. Covenant for Clergy Wellbeing

The clergy left the meeting. The welfare of the clergy and their partners was discussed, whether they feel they are cared for, how to encourage a two way conversation with the churchwardens, what more support can we give? The clergy returned and were asked how well supported they feel. It was felt it is important to respect their days off.

9b. Health and Safety Policy deferred from last month

The Wellbeing of Clergy should be included in the Health and Safety Policy.

Signing off the Policy was proposed by Ray, seconded by Betty. Agreed unanimously.

An outline of the Policy will be laminated and put on the church noticeboard in the porch.

Ray

10. Committee Reports none

11. Safeguarding

Janet reported that training is up to date

12. APCM Sunday 25th April

There are 8 PCC vacancies and 1 Deanery Synod vacancy. The 2 churchwardens will need to be re-elected. Ray and Anne have served their full terms and can be co-opted after the APCM, Irene has served for 6 years and is not eligible for another term and Janet has indicated she will not re-stand. 2 individuals have agreed to stand, another has been nominated. The APCM will be held as last year, in church after the morning service with limited attendance by booking.

Amanda

13. AOB

It has been suggested that a letter of complaint should be sent to Doncaster Council about the new parking arrangements by the church which lack enough space for wedding and funeral cars. Conversations with the planner have been futile. Photos of the parking problem have been sent to the Council and local councillor Cynthia Ransome. Amanda will write a letter.

Amanda

Tim and Miranda will hold a Zoom gathering on Wednesday 21st April. Their video message will be shown in church.

Amanda

Robert reported that the church computer is being used more and is no longer adequate.

He proposed that a replacement should be bought, seconded by Alison, agreed unanimously.

Ray. Roland

The meeting closed with the Grace at 9.09 pm.

Date of next meeting: Monday 10th May 2021

APCM: Sunday 25th April 2021