



The Parish of Iver

The churches of St Peter and St Leonard

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 25th May 2010 at 7.45 p.m. at St Peter's Centre

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| Present | Rev Tim Eady (presiding) George Howard Gerald Paine Angela Lindstrom Fliss Akehurst Sam Bifolco | Chris Dalwood Jackie Griffiths Wendy Jenner Tina Lewis Warren Palmer Peter Rawlings Sarah Smith | Pauline Telfer Stuart Wylie Maureen James Jan Rowsell Joe Gibbs |
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| 1 | OPENING PRAYER <i>Tim opened the meeting with a reading followed by a time of prayer.</i> | <u>ACTION</u> |
| 2 | APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from Brian Griffiths, Jim Dashper, John Norfolk, Leslie Rimell, Peter Owen. | |
| 3 | APPOINTMENTS Fliss was nominated as Lay Vice-chairman by Angela and seconded by Chris. All agreed. Jan was proposed to continue as PCC secretary by Wendy and seconded by Maureen. All agreed. Karen Hall was proposed as Treasurer by Gerald and seconded by Tina. All agreed. | |
| 4 | MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd March 2010 were received and approved. Thanks to Pauline for producing the minutes in Jan's absence. MATTERS ARISING <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Evelyn has decided not to hire the St Peter's Centre in August.2. Item 11: Living Faith Mission – Joe is leaving on 18th June and Kate has now moved to her new parish and therefore we will not be able to involve Totzone in the mission activity as planned.3. Presentation on Sally Vigurs' computer room deferred to the end of the meeting. | |
| 5 | ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PCC MEMBER Tim read through the document on the roles and responsibilities of PCC members and stressed its importance. The budget is extremely tight for this year. | |

Tim covered the point that PCC members are not responsible for the shortfall in payments of our parish share.

Committees

Tim proposed a restructure of our PCC meetings. We have 10 PCC Meetings per year and Tim proposed using 5 as standard meetings With all PCC members together and 5 as separate committee meetings

- Fabric, Finance, Pastoral Care, Youth & Children's & Mission.

The first hour of the PCC meeting would be separate committees and the second hour together for joint discussion. The idea is to make the meetings more engaging.

Stuart entered the meeting at 8.10pm

Maureen suggested that the committees would not have enough time to discuss in one hour and therefore to have a specific aspect of our church life i.e. pastoral care discussed with all PCC members on an alternate meeting basis.

Sam suggested that we need an initial meeting to ascertain our church's vision.

Sarah entered at 8.20pm

Tim suggested that we take Maureen's idea for June and try it. The subject will be pre-planned.

Joe entered at 8.25pm

Tim has produced a 'Living the Vision' questionnaire which was circulated. All church members will receive a copy to complete so that the feedback can be collated and discussed. Jan will put on the website and print copies.

All agreed that the questionnaires should be completed and return by end June for a PCC Away Day on 17th July.

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Finance Committee

Tim, Karen, Maureen, Peter, Wendy, Angela, George, Fliss and Warren.

Fabric Committee

Tim, Maureen, Peter, Pauline, Gerald, Leslie Rimell, John Telfer, Mike James, Stuart.

Tim would like a new committee for Youth and Children's work. He asked George to set this up.

Standing Committee

Tim, Maureen, Peter, Karen Hall, Tina, John and Brian.

6 MATTERS ARISING

Sally Vigurs presentation re: the possible use of the Old School Room as a computer room. Jan made this presentation in Sally's absence. The presentation covered the reasons why this grant was applied for and how it was won. It showed how the £9000 would be spent. Joe proposed we move ahead with this project, Fliss seconded. 10 agreed to proceed with the project, 2 abstained.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Iver will be entered into the 'Best Kept Village' competition by Iver Parish Council

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DEANERY SYNOD

We have 3 new Deanery Synod reps – Angela, Gerald and John.

9 FINANCE REPORT

The latest finance update produced by Karen is at the back of both churches. Please take one. The total raised from the talents stands at £1890 plus money from the St George's day dinner. Gerald plans to hold a plant sale and coffee morning next week. Tickets need to be sold for the Open Gardens day on 13th June.

It was agreed that the Christmas tree festival needed a committee – Jackie, Gerald, Stuart and Chris agreed to form a committee to plan the event.

10 FABRIC REPORT

It was proposed that the existing copper roof covering of the chancel of St Peter's church should be replaced with a stainless steel roof covering." Maureen proposed and Tina seconded. All Agreed unanimously.

11 CHILDREN'S & FAMILIES WORK & YOUTH REPORT

Thank you to Joe for the Children's work and to George and Tina for the Youth work. Messy Church was a lovely event today. Gap and Synergy are growing well and the decision to lower the age of Gap to Year 3 has been well received.

The adult assistance continues to be a challenge with Carina and Stuart Orr moving on and having no youth pastor. In great need of adult helpers. There is an emergency back up list – Brian, Jackie and Tina.

George cannot lead or preach as he is currently running Thirst on a Sunday morning.

We no longer have a teenage group on a Sunday to link with EC.

Ideal ratios: 3-5year olds 2 helpers

5-10 year olds 2 helpers 10-12year olds 2 helpers and 13 upwards 2 helpers.

Joe has 4 people who have come forward to help with children's work.

EC – Tina feels that EC has come to an end. She would like to introduce a Youth Celebration service which would be a café style youth service in St Peter's centre aimed at 13+ year olds once per month. It will be named Reviver or Café Sundae.

A Youth Celebration service is planned for Sunday 12th September as a big event. All agreed this is an excellent idea.

Tina will organise a group to plan this event.

Joe asked the PCC to consider the re-appointment of her role after she leaves on 18th June.

Tim felt that the appointment of a new Children's and Families Worker was currently more important than a Youth Pastor.

She also asked for tuition to be paid for 'Shout', the youth band that James Vigurs is teaching. After much discussion it was agreed that this would be paid from the Youth budget provided that it was advertised to all Gap and Synergy members to join. George proposed and all agreed.

Development of youth and children's work – it was agreed that further discussion would take place at the away day in July once the feedback forms had been returned.

On 5th June, Helen James and Tina are going to a New Wine

Children's worker conference.

On 18th July the Diocesan Children's Advisor will be coming to St Peter's to talk to the congregation.

12 BISHOP'S VISIT AND VICAR'S REPORT

13 Tim has met with Sam and Sarah regarding the Bishop's visit weekend. It is planned to have a guest meal on the Friday evening with Bishop John speaking. The meal will cost £5 and it is an outreach event for church members to bring a friend who is not a church member.

Saturday:

9am Church service

10am Football

11am Cornerstone

12pm Creative Festival at St Leonard's with a barbecue. The Core will display children's work and St Leonard's hall will display Christian art. The church will be open and there will be live events on the lawn (Shout, Drums etc.)

During the summer children will be challenged to produce artwork of their favourite Bible story from the New Testament.

Adults will be asked to produce a piece of creative art.

On Monday 9th August we will have an art workshop day for families to come along and create art.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Sam is starting her Sunday Lunch club on 4th July at St Peter's Centre. This will be for anyone who wants company on a Sunday. There will be card games, speakers, music etc. Sam needs volunteers on a rota system to help. She has a grant from Iver United Charities to subsidise this event.

Date of Next Meeting

Next PCC Meeting:- Tuesday 22nd June 7.45pm