

Parish Pastoral Council

Committee Meeting

Attachments to this set of Minutes are as follows for ease of reference:

- A. the Agenda Document for the 9 December 2013 Meeting;
- B. the JCC Report of its November meeting;
- C. the Anglican PCC Minutes of its meeting in November 2013;
- D. the PPC Fabric Report
- E. the St Joseph School Report.
- F. a list of future Regular Meeting Dates which are open meetings and to which members of the Parish are welcome to attend as observers.

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1. There were no apologies to report.
2. The Minutes of the PPC October meeting were signed and filed.
3. As this was the first meeting after the election of new Committee, each member introduced themselves.
4. The Chairman has asked that a copy of the PPC Constitution is sent to each Committee member. The Secretary volunteered to send it to each - done.
5. PPC Regular Meeting dates, and the 2014 AGM date were/was set. See appendix F.
6. Justice & Peace & CAFOD. The Chairman is to ask Pauline Spratt if she would be content to submit a report to each PPC meeting in the future.
7. Fabric Reports.
 1. For Matt Harris' Fabric Report on the Holy Trinity site please see Appendix D. In addition Rosemary Tidmarsh reported that the window had been done, asbestos signs had been erected and quotes to deal with the asbestos are being sought.
 2. for the English Martyrs site, Chris Perry had been briefed by Adrian as follows:
 - the hedges on the right hand side had been cut & the oak trees at the front had been trimmed;
 - reflectors had been placed on the trees;

- the guttering is due to be cleaned;
 - quotes for a floodlight to the front of the church are being sought.
8. Ecumenical Report for Little Baddow and SWF & JCC. see Appendix B.
 9. Treasurer's Report.

As at today (9 December 2013) our bank balance is £16,860 overdrawn.

This balance is virtually the same as reported for the last 3 months, which means our finances are at least holding stable.

This is also especially encouraging, since we have just paid our annual insurance (£2,250) to Brentwood and our final JCC payment (£1,500) for the year.

10. Anglican PCC. See Appendix C.
11. Methodist PCC. Jenny Sismey reported as follows:

“We continue to hold our house Group on the second Tuesday of the month. We have shared Remembrance and T?? Services with our Anglican friends. Our Minister, Sue Lambert, is taking on more work and it is lovely to have her back, although we know that she is still grieving. Sue thanks everyone for their support.”

12. Diocesan Representative Report. Sylvia Lanz. Very little to report. There is likely to be more after a meeting on 18 January 2014. They need younger people to be Diocesan Representatives.

13. Liturgy Representative. they have checked the Christmas Liturgies.

14. St Joseph's School Representative. See Appendix E.

15. Social Committee.

- 15.1. the past event being the Chinese Meal was a success. 52 people attended and £272 was made for the Parish.

- 15.2. sales of Christmas raffle tickets, as at 9 December 2013, amounted to £465. And 90 of the 250 envelopes given out have been returned so far. A very big thank you to all the people who donated to the hamper appeal as so much was given that they have been able to create 6 hampers as prizes. A generous donation came from a company, the Co-op Funeral

Services in SWF. Rosemary Tidmarsh has written a letter to that company to thank it. This letter is dated 2 December 2013, and a copy is being filed with these set of minutes. Please could Maria do a note in the Parish Weekly Newsletter to say thanks to the Co-op as well - done.

15.3. Future events are: Beetle Drive on 29 Jan 2014; Quiz on 29 March 2014.

16. Presbytery. John Geary reported that more shelving had been erected and a new hat and coat rail.

17. A.O.B.

17.1. £20 was granted to provide drinks and nibbles after the 8pm Mass on Christmas Eve.

17.2 Mrs A. Huish pointed out that the Noticeboard at the back of the English Martyrs Church needs to be up-dated with fresh St Joseph School items. Their allocated Noticeboard area has shrunk and it was agreed that Chris Perry would ask Adrian about altering that for Jan 2014.

17.3. Fr Niall reminded the Committee about the Reconciliation Services.

17.4. Chris Perry has asked that the Committee consider who can be Vice-Chair for the 2013-2014 Committee Period.

18. 100 Club. Kath Gable asked that the fresh winners were selected by drawing from the 100 Club bag. The winners were numbers 13, 40, 17, 60 & 69.

The Meeting ended at 9.01 pm.