

PPC MEETING 25th JANUARY 2018
PARISH OF ENGLISH MARTYRS, DANBURY WITH
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS

Ex officio:

Fr James McShane President
 Kathy Johnston Social/Anglican rep
 Barbara Fenn Methodist rep
 Jim Tidmarsh Treasurer

Elected Members:

Alan Pursell Chair
 Peter Blackman Vice chair
 Kath Gable Secretary
 Bernard Dayer
 Michael Weston
 Rosemary Tidmarsh Social
 Philomena Connolly
 Mary Huntington

Appointed Members:

Jenny Sismey Methodist rep
 Ashley John Anglican rep
 John Geary HT fabric
 Graham Tickle EM

	Reports and discussions	Action
1)	<p>Opening Prayer: Fr James opened the meeting with a prayer. New members were welcomed and we introduced ourselves.</p>	
2)	<p>Apologies: Apologies were received from, Michael Weston, Jim Tidmarsh, Jenny Sismey, Ashley John.</p>	
3)	<p>Minutes of Meeting: 9th October 2017 The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed. We also approved and signed the AGM minutes of 13th November 2017 for publication. These will be brought to the AGM in 2018 as normal.</p>	
4)	<p>Treasurers report The full report previously distributed to PPC and is held with these minutes. The overdraft currently stands at £17,474.90 but we have still to pay Fr James the Christmas offerings. Jim is pursuing a debt from Elm Park Parish of £569.13. Jim produced a budget for the next year and income only just exceeds expenditure. Jim, with Fr. James agreement, is to speak at Masses to increase our income. This has not increased with inflation and many standing orders have not been increased since the last appeal. It was felt the Social Committee monies should be for a specific projects ie money is needed to be spent on the presbytery and English Martyrs church. The diocese has said we need a finance committee. Fr James said they have one in Jim, Alan, Maria and himself.</p>	Jim
5)	<p>Report from Social Committee Full report circulated to PPC and copy held with these minutes. Kathy reported a profit of £388 from the Christmas raffle, but was disappointed as this was £200 less than last year. Out of 200 envelopes distributed only 70 were returned. Some late items donated are to be used for the “Elvis night” raffle. Elvis ticket sales have sold out and should hopefully make a profit of £620 which is without the raffle and heads and tails monies. The Italian evening planning is well under way and booked for 10th March in Little Baddow Memorial Hall. Tickets will be £25 each. The Rock and Roll dance is booked for 9th June with Quiff and the Shades in SWF</p>	

	village hall.	
6)	<p>Report from Fabric Committee John's SWF full report previously circulated to PPC copy held with these minutes. Various maintenance and repairs have taken place in HT. The presbytery has a new British Gas contract and the heating is now working. Repairs to the outside cladding are underway.</p> <p>Graham is provisionally covering fabric in EM but we need a replacement for him. Fr James took the PPC around EM and pointed out various parts that need redecoration and replacement. All agreed the altar area, the Sacristy, toilets, 5 windows and the sacristy carpet all needed attention.</p> <p>It should be noted that under the garden area to the side of the church we have foundations for an extension should the need arise in the future.</p>	
7)	<p>Liturgy report Fr James has said there will be a Reconciliation Service for Easter. Fr James also agreed to lay lead Stations of the Cross at both ends of the parish. Kath will speak to Barbara re HT. The Liturgy group will be meeting at a later date.</p>	Kath
8)	<p>Youth: Mary reported she has been in contact with Hannah re youth and will report at another meeting.</p>	Mary
9)	<p>Steward to the Gospel report Pauline reported 50 members of the both congregations attending the 3 SG presentations. Pauline needs to send a report to Steve Webb in February on our feedback to proposals and will keep the Parish informed of developments. Matt will put her letter on the website and her email address for any feedback.</p>	Matt/ Pauline
10)	<p>Justice and Peace. Pauline reported diminished numbers from 12 to 6. They would like new members all are welcome. Events over 2017-18 1) Jumble sale first Saturday in March Danbury Village Hall. Raised £526 of which £250 was sent to Catholic Primary School in Hastings, Sierra Leone. This year will be last year of 5 year commitment of support. 2) Fair Trade goods sale once a month in both churches and 3 local WI's twice a year. 2016/17, profit to JP £98.43 to support local charities. 3) Parishioners asked to sign petition to Sainsbury's re dropping their fair trade logo. 4) Charity Christmas cards sold at both churches. 5) A number of cake bakes held at both churches for charities, Christian Aid and Melbourne Sisters. 6) Wine and cheese in Danbury raised £250 for Chess. 7) Chess Gaudete Sunday food collection taken to them the following Monday. 8) 6 Parish walks for CAFOD'S Live Simply. 9) Pauline spoken at all Masses in support of CAFOD Family Fast days £1700</p>	

	<p>collected.</p> <p>10) Owing to the sad death of Patricia McGloughlin the Live Simply award has been delayed but will be worked on this coming year.</p>	
11)	<p>St Joseph's school report. None this meeting. Rosemary will ask Mrs Webster.</p>	Rosemary
12)	<p>Ecumenical reports Peters full Worship and Outreach report from HT previously circulated to PPC a copy held with these minutes. Please note parish email address is now only danbury@dioceseofbrentwood.org. An ecumenical Lent Course will be held in HT on Thursday evenings and Friday lunchtimes starting on 15th and 16th February. SWF Health and Social Care Group are holding a meeting on Monday 5th February, on adult and young person mental health, in HT church 6.30pm start.</p> <p>JCC Holy Trinity Simone is now our new Treasurer. We were just in credit last year and so Simone will look at figures for the March meeting as to whether we will need to increase contributions. Vice Chair, Worship and Outreach and Fabric Chair are to be decided at a later date when hopefully all Ministers will be able to attend. Steve was thanked very much in his absence for his 15 years work on our behalf. Kath to take a gift and signed card to him once he returns from holiday. The suggestion to have 1 Minister and 2 lay persons on the Executive Committee will go to the March meeting. The suggested new website was demonstrated at the end of the meeting.</p> <p>The question was raised as to if we need observers at each others meetings as a report from the PCC's and JCC would probably suffice. JCC to be asked</p>	<p>Peter</p> <p>Kath</p>
13)	<p>Anglican report Bob Hemmings is to stand down as Church Warden and Gill Wragg as Secretary. Revd Carol is now back full time.</p>	
14)	<p>Methodist report Jenny reported Revd Barry and his wife Ria have settled in well. The Town Carol Service led by Revd Barry went very well and was well received. Revd Barry will hold a regular house group meetings.</p>	
15)	<p>AOB Peter told the meeting that BT are no longer supporting our website so we need to change. The JCC asked Adrian to work on this and the cost would be £100pa instead of per quarter. Alan asked if the site could be viewed before it went live and Peter will arrange for Fr James, Alan, Matt and Peter to view asap. Peter asked for an up to date photograph of EM for the site. Alan to supply.</p> <p>Alan reported the agreed amendment to the Constitution at the 2014 AGM had not been amalgamated or published. Alan will amend as per agreement at that AGM and bring to the next meeting.</p>	<p>Peter</p> <p>Alan</p> <p>Alan</p>

	The 100 club numbers were drawn. C Abrahams, K Holland and K Johnston.	
	<p>Fr James closed the meeting with a prayer. Dates of the next year’s meetings were agreed as below.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH 2018 IN HT <u>CHURCH</u> 8pm THURSDAY 17TH MAY 2018 IN EM AT 8pm THURSDAY 19TH JULY AT ALAN AND LYNNE HOUSE 7.30 FOR MEETING, 8pm BBQ. PARTNERS ARE INVITED. THURSDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER IN <u>MEETING ROOM HT</u> 8pm THURSDAY 15TH NOVEMBER <u>ST JOSEPHS SCHOOL HALL AGM</u> <u>Access will be via the church not before 7.45 please.</u></p>	

These minutes are a true account of the proceedings of the Parish Pastoral Council Meeting held on Thursday 25th January 2018 in English Martyrs church Danbury

Signed Proposed Name

Dated.....

Signed.....Seconded Name

Dated.....