MINUTES OF ST GEORGE'S PCC MEETING HELD IN THE CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2010

Present: Fr Mike, Fr Timon (Asst Curate), Richard Spurgeon (Churchwarden), Dick Handy (Churchwarden), Linda Wainwright (Deanery Synod), Lindsay Chalk (Deanery Synod), Tony Rice-Oxley, Marian Haughton, Barbie Lloyd, David Hodgens, Anne Morgan, Sandra Hewett, Sheilah Hall, Colin Monk, Dawn Trimby (Treasurer), Jane Cook (Secretary)

<u>ACTION</u>

1. Apologies for absence:

Candy Williams, Dawn Hyett

2. Minutes of last PCC meeting on 19th October

The minutes were signed as a true and accurate record.

3. Matters Arising

Page 1 – Tony has updated this letter and it has been passed to Dick and Richard to agree.

Page 4 – a notice had gone in the Bulletin about a volunteer to be Christian Aid rep.

Page 4 – the advert has been sent off for the Christmas Services in The News along with the cheque.

Page 4 – Fr Mike said he thinks Colin's idea to hand out leaflets of the 5 Churches in Waterlooville/Denmead to Estate Agents is a good one and he will discuss it with the other churches.

Fr Mike

4. Treasurer's Report

Dawn gave the following report:

Included within the QQ fundraising figures are £80.40 which is the proceeds from the parish breakfast and £112.49 from the sale of refreshments at the Gilbert and Sullivan evening.

There is also £400 included in the fundraising figures from the proceeds of Wednesday coffee mornings.

On the expenditure side there was £67 included within the admin figure which related to the purchase of 2000 gift aid envelopes as we are going to try and really push this form of giving over the next few months.

The figures in respect of the 40th birthday mugs have now been reallocated to be shown separately as requested at the last PCC meeting.

Although it is not shown on the accounts all fees have now been paid to the builders giving a total for the works carried out at £45,597.87.

4. a) Charities Treasurer's Report

Linda said that the 2 weeks in October for the YMCA collected £45.16.

5. Discussion on next year's Budget +

6. a) Fabric and Finance and Quinquennial

Dick said that Dawn had worked out a preliminary draft budget and had circulated it to all members of the Fabric and Finance Committee who had then added their views which were then discussed at the meeting on 9th October. The minutes and draft budget, together with the QQ action plan had been circulated to the PCC already.

ACTION

Dick went through the draft budget line by line. On the income side the F&F Committee had worked on the projected figures for the full year 2010. Interest on investments has gone down. As there was a special gift day appeal this year for the buildings appeal it was decided to take this amount down again. There was discussion about the amount of £15 donated by people for Liturgical gifts and the recommendation from F&F was that this should go up to £20. Tony said this had only recently gone up to £15 and he felt it should say at this. The PCC discussed this and came out with 3 options – leave at £15, raise to £20 or Colin's suggestion that we ask for £20 with a proviso that if people can't afford it they pay less. A vote was taken – 7 people opted to leave it at £15, 1 person opted for it to go up to £20 and 7 opted for Colin's suggestion. Fr Mike had the casting vote and it was decided to leave it at £15.

Tony said we are not making any profit on private use of the photocopier which is only 2p a copy. It was suggested we advertise this in the Bulletin to make people aware of the facility.

On the expenditure side worst option of £50,416 for the Quota was used. Tony said the capitation fee will remain at £80. Gas/electric/water will go up and this is shown. Liturgical supplies were high this year as 2 to 3 years of votive candles had been bought. Music support has been reduced to £100 as it has not been used this year. Sunday School has been reduced to £300 as they worked on £100 per quarter but with school holidays and Family Eucharists they found they only needed material for three quarters.

£3,000 from Waterlooville Music Festival to go in this year and £2,500 to go in budget for 2011.

As there were no questions Dick proposed that this budget for 2011 be accepted and this was seconded by Linda and agreed unanimously.

Fr Mike thanked everyone involved in producing this budget for all the hard work that has gone into it.

Dick said that the final bill from the Architect is still to come in at around £1.5K to £2K. The Architect will be sending final documentation for our church records.

Dick went through the QQ action plan which had already been circulated. Items 12, 16 and 17 are big items with a high cost. Items 12 and 17 are low priority but item 16 is a high priority and will have to be addressed next year.

Dick is going to get the Architect to come and look at the main roof of the church in early December.

6. **Committee Reports**

- a) See above
- b) 40th Anniversary

Minutes from the meeting on 10th November have already been circulated. Fr Timon said the Christmas Tree Festival organisation is going well. So far 17 trees have been sponsored so far. Not too late if anyone else would like one as 25 have been ordered at the moment.

These will be delivered on Sunday 28th November. It was suggested they be stored on the stage in the hall or in the church and have the doors locked until they are decorated. The committee are organising the service to be held on 2nd December. Need help from the PCC to advertise it – please tell family and friends about it and take some flyers from the back of church.

Richard also mentioned the scratch Christmas singing event – Sing-a-Christmas – Sunday 5th December – rehearse at 4pm perform in the evening.

c) Pastoral

Minutes have been circulated. Richard said that Dick has now agreed to take over the organisation of the stewarding of the School Concerts. There is no longer a Friday concert, only Monday and Tuesday.

Barbie said that following discussion at the meeting it was agreed that it would be very useful to have a noticeboard with people's photos on it at the back of church. Barbie and Dick will be armed with their cameras over the next few Sundays. If anyone has any objections about their photo being displayed at the back of the church please let them know as it is not a problem.

d) Hall

Not met.

e) **Fundraising**

Not met. Tony said that the Bazaar is the next big fundraising event and Rosemary needs as many people as possible available to help on the day.

f) Social

Not met. However Tony said that he and Jane have been asked to act as coordinators for the increasing number of concerts that have been requested to be held in the church. Some of them expect us to sell the tickets as we have a large congregation but he said we can't expect the congregation to attend all. Dick said we had advertised the Solent Male Voice Choir concert last Saturday and we will receive about £175 from ticket sales and the amount collected for refreshments. Tony said it is the same people from Social providing refreshments all the time so it was suggested that he e-mail the PCC with dates if help is needed with refreshments.

g) Deanery Synod

Not met.

7. Approval of Fees 2011

Fr Mike waiting for information on fees from the National Registrar's office for getting married in church so unable to discuss this until this information is received.

8. Correspondence

Jane said she had received a letter from the Rotary Club thanking St George's for their contribution of 27 shoeboxes towards their appeal this year.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 14th December** at 7.30 pm at The Vicarage.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.