## **PCC Minutes - Holy & Undivided Trinity, Lambley**

October 11, 2023

Present:	Phil Cox - Lay Chair/Churchwarden	Frances Newsham - PCC Secretary/LLM
	Jane Williams - LLM/Safeguarding	Eleanor Wilson - Treasurer/Deanery Synod
	Linda Goldby	Nicky Taylor
	David Chambers - Fabric	

<u>Meeting opened in prayer and with a reading from Matthew's Gospel.</u>

1	Apologies - None	
2	Minutes of the last meeting - accepted with minor corrections as follows:- 3.1 altered to read "so that a quote can be obtained in preparation for ordering" 6.2 question mark replaced with date 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 7.1 - altered to read 'fire extinguishers have' 7.2 - amended figures to read as follows - 'we agreed to give £10,000 during 2023' and 'have only been able to give £4,300'. The last sentence to read 'We also need to agree what we feel we can offer in 2024. Post meeting note - Eleanor offered £6,000.	
3	Matters arising From 7.3 Church Diary - Phil has had some communication with John Garton - who deals with Village Hall bookings. The Salvation Army Carol Concert is usually organised by the British Legion as a fund raising event. This is not the case this year, however it appears that a concert is still planned - probably being organised by the Parish Council for the village, prior to the usual Cheese and Wine event in the Village. There was some discussion about the collection raised by this concert and it was decided that church should be the beneficiary as there would be overheads for heating etc. Phil to discuss the matter with Dawn Edwards, Chair of the Parish Council.	Jane?Ph
4	4.1 Christmas Services and Events - Frances has created a table showing all the services and events for November and December which are currently in the church diary. It shows who is the service lead/main person organising the event/service and anticipated timings. Times for the Angel Festival were confirmed as 10.00- 18.00 on each day, bearing in mind we have Holy Communion at 11.00 on the Sunday as well as Christingle at 17.00 Frances advised the meeting that there would be a 'green' angel created by Kate who helps Frances with her garden but also works for a number of the Lambley residents on a regular basis. Frances is booked to go into school to invite children to take a creative part in the festival.  OAP Christmas Meal - agreed date 14 <sup>th</sup> December to be finished by 3.00pm so that a start can be made on setting up for the Angel Festival at 3.30pm Jane will liaise with Julie regarding 'donation' to cover the cost of the church heating - £25. Linda will open up church at 11am Eleanor will ask All Hallows to find out if a priest can be obtained for Holy Communion on Christmas Day.  4.2 Cushions - next steps we have funding of over £2000 which comes from a previous source which we have previously agreed to allocate for the	Jane Linda Eleanor

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	cushions. We have already received a promise of a donation of £1,000 towards the cushions. John Coles has suggested we seek alternative prices; he has used a very economical supplier for a purchase for his organ at home. PCC agreed to thank John for his suggestion, we have given it consideration. Letter to be sent by Eleanor. Jane proposed that we go ahead with the order as per the quotation recently obtained by Frances. This was seconded by Linda, and agreed unanimously. Frances to place order.  4.3 The things behind the high altar - The kneelers are to be arranged# neatly on the choir pews for the time being. The old carpet and anything else that has no future use is to be disposed of appropriately. David and Phil will deal with this.  Progress regarding Vacancy - The closing date of the second round of advertising is not until 22 <sup>nd</sup> October. It is in the Church Times and the	Eleanor Frances David & Phil
5	Diocesan and national C of E Vacancy listings.  Priest in Charge/Rector's Report not applicable due to the vacancy.	
6	Ministry & Pastoral Care 6.1 Safeguarding - Jane has recently attended a meeting for all the diocesan PSOs and has also undertaken online PSO Officer training. A meeting is due to take place with the Diocesan safeguarding officer.  6.2 Children's Ministry - Messy Harvest happened in September and was great fun if a little chaotic - attended by 20 children & 20 adults. There has been one All Age service since the last PCC meeting - we are still getting 2/3 families attending for this services along with the 'regular' congregation, but numbers are gradually increasing and the children are wanting to be involved - doing readings and prayers. Next Messy Church is this Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> October between 15.00 & 17.00 as usual. There is going to be an ice cream van coming to give an ice cream to each child - this is a prize from the Raffle at the Village Show which has been donated to Messy Church!	
	<b>6.3 Outreach</b> - Girls Night Out took place on Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October - 30 places booked, but 2 no shows. Of the 28 present only 4 were from church - 24 were from the village including some of the Messy Church mums. It was great fun, and finished with line-dancing! The next one is the Christmas Special which will be intentionally evangelistic and will include worship and a short talk alongside the meal and fellowship. This will take place on Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 19.30 start.  Jane asked PCC to support her plan to offer a 6 week course to be held in the Rectory before Christmas - 'Happiness Lab'. This aim is to lead people towards a course exploring faith in the New Year e.g. Start course. This was welcomed unanimously.  Nicky advised the PCC that a Parish Council notice board has recently been sited at the bottom of Orchard Rise - she thought it would be a good place to have a Messy Church poster. Jane will create a poster and request that it is placed on the notice board.	Jane
	<b>6.4 Senior Care</b> - services at Nottingham Care Village continue with a nucleus of 6 ladies attending but there are a couple of others who usually attend and another new resident who has been a regular church goer who	

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will attend in future. Prayers for elderly residents who have previously been church regulars are always included in Sunday services thanks to Freda's ongoing input to the prayer requests book and her telephone ministry which keeps people aware of who needs prayer. Phil advised us that Pat Burrows, a previous regular who has moved out of the village, is quite poorly at the moment. Wendy Holmes - a long standing friend has been taken by her daughter to visit him. Frances asked the PCC's approval to keep a record of those who attend these services as well as recording the services in the official services register in the vestry.

**Frances** 

Frances advised PCC that she has spoken to Emma the new manager and has invited the residents of Nottingham Care Village to attend our Angel Festival in December.

- **6.5 Lambley Life** November's News from the Pews will include the list of Christmas Events and services and also photos from recent events Girls' Night Out and Messy Church the ice cream van!
- **6.6 Deanery Synod** Eleanor has now received the unconfirmed minutes of the June meeting which she was unable to attend. She will circulate these shortly and will be attending the next meeting which is in November.

## 7 Church Business

- **7.1 Fabric** David had nothing significant to report. The architect is to obtain revised quote for the repairs. The lead roofing specialist hopes to be with us very soon, and the architect will attend at the same time to see the issues that have arisen as a result of historic work practices.
- Trees Frances has written to Gedling Council including supplying details from the 2020 Quinquennial Survey to support our request for urgent action to be taken regarding the magnolia tree close to the south east corner of the chancel, and the laurel type tree/shrub adjacent to the south porch.
- **7.2 Finance** Eleanor had circulated the latest figures prior to the meeting and there were no queries.
- **7.3 Church Diary** please see list of event circulated at the meeting and added into the church diary.
- **7.4 Correspondence** nothing received by the secretary.
- **7.5** Any other business Frances advised the meeting that she and her husband feel it is necessary for her to stand down from her role as PCC Secretary while they cope with her husband's current health issues. Eleanor volunteered to take over this role for the time being. Frances will pass on any correspondence that she receives.

Closing Prayers: meeting closed in prayer at 21.10

**Date & Time of next meeting:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 19.30 in church.