

## MINUTES OF PPC MEETING

On 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

**Present:** Mark Shuldham (Chairman) (MS), Andrew Lodge (AL), Anne Evans (AE), Jenny Malone Lee (JML), Catherine Vaux (CV), Robert Vaux (RV), Chris von Patzelt (CvP), Alan MacDermot (AM) (Secretary)

Deacon Michael Hughes (by invitation)

**Apologies:** Corinne Williams (CW), Venetia Wright (VW), Fr Robert (Fr R),

The meeting began with a prayer.

### A Future Full of Hope

Deacon Michael talked about 'A Future Full of Hope' and practical steps that we might take. We must come to a decision on whether we want to be a Missionary Parish.

He suggested a series of meetings discussing the contents of *Forming Intentional Disciples* by Sherry Wedell. Small group meetings could be the nucleus of a missionary movement. This approach has been successful in about a third of the parishes in the diocese of Plymouth.

It was agreed that he would cover this in his sermons this weekend and that PPC members would take the names of interested parishioners.

### Finance

The financial report is attached

### West End House

A summary of the position to date is attached. A response from Wiltshire Council to the pre-planning application had just been received and on first inspection it appeared to contain no show stoppers.

A question was raised about the need to pay for smoke alarms when the fire service would provide them, but it was explained that our requirements for connected alarms and for a system suitable for renting Trellis House would be more sophisticated.

### Parish AGM

JML had established that the Hinton Hall was only free on two Friday evenings in April, and they were not possible for key PPC members. It was agreed that 11<sup>th</sup> May was preferred with 18<sup>th</sup> May as a fall back and JML will check availability.

### Other

Reports on The Social Group and Youth Work are attached

The Head at Wardour School is back full time and the School is doing well

Our next meeting will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm in Trellis House where the AGM agenda will be agreed

# Attachments

## West End House

The current situation is summarised in this extract from an email of 27<sup>th</sup> February:

We hope to:

1. Up-grade our Parish Rooms to provide a better link with the Church and to incorporate a Parish Office;
  2. Renovate and expand the accommodation in the Flat over the Parish Rooms. This is currently on 2 floors. The aim is to provide long-term, modern accommodation for our Parish Priest instead of in Trellis House;
  3. Minor up-grade of Trellis House in order that this may be let on the open market;
  4. Obtain Planning permission for a development of houses (in the back garden of Trellis). These would then be sold to fund 1-3 above.
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- A. We approached 3 firms of Architects requesting that they submit an outline of their ideas to fulfil the above and their costs.
  - B. We have now chosen an Architect with whom we have started to work. Initial ideas for the back-land development are now on paper;
  - C. A pre-Application Submission has been lodged with Wiltshire Council in order to sort out access to the rear site.
  - D. We are about to approach the Tisbury Parish Council with an access proposal across land owned by the Council (edge of Playing Fields). This will include provision of additional off-street parking made available for the Playing Fields. Before doing so we anticipate that we shall have heard from the Planners on our pre-App.
  - E. We have taken advice from Estate Agents regarding development sale values:

### Finance

	Cost
(i) Renovation of Parish Room and Flat above: Details not decided, but we have alternative ideas in outline	approx. £200,000
(ii) Minor upgrade of Trellis	Approx.. £30,000
(iii) Planning and Architects fees	Approx £29,000
(iv) Agent's fees for sale of development say 1.5% of £350,000	Say £7,000



## A summary of Youth work

We have four candidates for Confirmation this year. Deacon Michael teaches them in Shaftesbury after school on Tuesdays. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be June 6<sup>th</sup> In Salisbury.

We have eight candidates for First Holy Communion. Again this year, sessions are after the 9am Mass with CV, Jenny Wright and Jenny Malone-Lee.

All these young people were presented to the congregation this last Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> March when they each spoke, some read a bidding prayer or a reading/psalm , others served, three brought up the Offertory gifts. It was joyous! Afterwards they met parishioners in the Parish Rooms. The Sacrament of Eucharist is 20<sup>th</sup> May at Wardour Chapel.

The younger children's Liturgy during 9am Mass has stalled for the moment but we intend to reintroduce it soon. More helpers are always welcomed.

St David's class came to Sacred Heart a few weeks ago with their teachers. About ten parishioners came to tell the children about their role in the Parish. Deacon Michael helped enormously by linking it all together. The Social Committee gave them a drink and snacks afterwards.

A class comes to Mass at Wardour Chapel on Tuesdays; they prepare the readings and, the older children will serve too. Next week we have a school Mass in the School Hall (Monday 10am- all welcome) which has been prepared by the Chaplaincy Team. Two children will serve for Father Robert and Deacon Michael will be there too.

CV

## Social Group

The Social Group has provided refreshments for the following events:

Ecumenical Service, 18<sup>th</sup> January

St David's class parish visit, 1<sup>st</sup>

February

Fr Nick King's talk at the Methodist Hall, 17<sup>th</sup> February

The parish children's party – usually held in January – will now take place in June.  
The date will be decided at our next meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> April.

JM-L

## Treasurer's report

A summary income and expenditure account for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 is attached. This shows a dip in funds over the course of 2017 of £2,125. Taking out the £2,000 grant to Wardour School, we have almost broken even.

Looking ahead to 2018, there will be a slight increase in the costs of running an empty West End House Flat: in 2017, costs exceeded rental income by some £500 despite rent having been received for the period January to March, and in 2018 costs are likely to amount to some £1,800. The cost of installing smoke detectors in Trellis House, which is an urgent requirement and for which an order has recently been placed, should be approximately £1,000. There will also be architect and planning fees associated with potential development of Trellis House 'garden'.

Overall, there is no need for any drastic action, but there does remain the need to maintain financial prudence.

RV

6<sup>th</sup> March 2018

