

**ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY CHURCH
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

May 13 2019 at 8pm

Attendees : Kit Tranmer, Mike O’Sullivan, William Yeung, Paul Turpin, Mike Eggleton, Fr.Isidore Faloon, Rob Fernandes, Fr. Quentin Jackson, Fr Michael O’Kane, Paul Kinman, Paul Dobson,

Apologies : Matthew Ives, Isabel Evans Parker, Michelle Spears

Minutes of April 1st 2019 meeting were approved

Reports

KT said he has seen reports from IT/Liturgy and William

It was commented that no one had contacted the Youth Group. MO’K said key programme is a set programme not a Youth programme.

Matters Arising

- **Heating/Roofing** – Report sent. Parish Finance Advisory Group/Friars suggested a 50% split. Report to the Parish how that figure came about. Need to go back to the Contractors to get their costing for Friary, Becket, Boiler House and Church. Roof costs accepted. Heating not approved yet, and will meet again to see about the appropriation of costs.
- Parish Council is fully accepting that the roof repairs need to be done, and that the heating is proceeding along appropriate lines.

Need to find a way of informing the Parish regarding Roofing and Heating and why the work is being carried out. A suggested letter sent by KT. Need to lay the groundwork first before sending out as an appeal.

All agreed that the Letter needs to be sent out – insert in the Newsletter, also publish the Letter on the website.

- **Finance Committee**

Finance Committee contemplating fund raising - £200K to be raised. To create a specific group to fund raise. Considering online donations on website (e.g.: Just Giving). KT said to set a target date so we can draw up a plan for the Finance Committee outline how they are going to raise this.

MO’K said to have someone to creatively present this. Need someone to apply for Grants. If Parish Council knows of anyone send names to Finance Committee.

It was agreed that the Letter be sent first and Fund Raising after

Soup Run – there will be an additional ULEZ charge £12.50 per week

- **Tri-Parish Meeting & June Meeting**

May 7th at 8pm Chairs of Parish Councils and three different Parishes attending – STOC hosted the meeting here.

There was variation of thought between the Parishes with OLOL favouring planning and structure with a top down approach and with STOC favouring a more pastoral approach looking at how we can serve the community. SAL are somewhere in between.

On the relationships between Parishes as suggested in the vision document STOC and SAL both felt we should start by working side by side in a co-operative manner and evolving to working in a more integrated fashion as time went on.

WY has sent out a report and Stewards came back with ideas of their own. By Advent we have to submit a partnership development plan.

Cheese and Wine Event has been suggested with the Three Parish Councils meeting at St Thomas's – date to be confirmed.

- **Defibrillator**

It was agreed to accept the offer of the Defibrillator. KT said training will be looked into. Maintenance of the Pads/ Battery to be checked monthly – to be agreed who will take responsibility to do this. Decision to be made where to place this, not to be put under lock and key.

Cost to replace Batteries £175 – every 5-7 years

Pads - £120 – 2 year life span

- **Parish Social & Pastoral Activities**

There have been several suggestions from Parishioners:

- *Give and Take Sale – re cycling goods. Collecting an entrance fee.*
- *Pastoral Sacraments and Family*
- *Lenten Talks*
- *Faith Preparation*
- *'Messy Church' – talk about our faith and Jesus/produce a story*

Meet to discuss what we can do and go back to Parish Council – ME to pursue this.

- **Parish AGM – July 14**

There are six people who have already done 3 years, check to see if they are still standing and let KT know.

- Notice period 28 days
- Nominations – 14 days
- Chair Report. Send suggestions to KT what is to go in to this report
- Submit a report of their group's activities.

Outstanding Issues- Comments

- Open Air Mass – date June 2 – MS has been in touch and will take responsibility
- Summer Fete – Michelle and Aine are involved

AOB

ME spoke about the Mass recording last Saturday and apologised as the Mass had been filmed that day in error. Two Eucharistic Ministers who had expressed a wish not to be filmed were on duty that day. He explained that he had apologised for this lapse and had erased and not published any footage of the Eucharist at that mass.

The PPC were unanimous in supporting the wish of any Eucharistic Minister not to be filmed. However, it was agreed that should an error occur and there is filming of anyone who has so declined that an apology would be made and any footage of their presence would be erased and not published. All supported ME and the continued filming of Masses and he will look for ways to avoid this in the future.

Fr Quentin suggested holding a Coffee Morning once a week on a Monday or Friday in the Henrietta Suite

Items Carried Over

- **Volunteers Fair**
- **Cheese and Wine for Three Parish PPC's - date not set**

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on June 10 at 8pm.