Minutes of a Meeting of All Saints' Landbeach PCC held in The Old School on Thursday 17 May 2018 at 7.30 pm

Present: The Revd Paul Butler (in the Chair), Revd Chris Barter (retired priest, co-opted on to the PCC), Dr Ray Gambell (Minutes), Mrs Jane Oakes, Mr Robert Stripe.

1. Opening prayers

Paul led open prayers.

2. Apologies for absence

Mr John Buckley, Mr Nicholas Small (Treasurer).

3. Items of Any Other Business for discussion in item 12

None.

4. Minutes of the PCC meeting held on 15 March 2018

4.1 Approval of minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2018 were approved and signed.

4.2 Any Matters Arising

4.2.1 Services

All morning services will start at 10 am from June. It was agreed to consider whether to resume the 1662 Evening Prayer service on the second Sunday of the month in the autumn.

The Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church will host a Songs of Praise on Sunday 3 June.

The Baptists have also arranged to hold their harvest celebration, with refreshments, on 30 September. Since this is a fifth Sunday, with a benefice communion at St John's Waterbeach in the morning, it was agreed that we should join with the Baptists, and also hold a Harvest Tea event at 4.00 pm in All Saints'.

4.2.2 Cycle rack

Ray and Nicholas have looked at possible racks that could be placed against the east wall of the south aisle. The prices are in the order of £1000 plus installation. It was agreed to consider this again at a later date.

5. Safeguarding Training

Jane and Ray have both completed the C0 and C1 courses. Paul and Chris have attended the C3 course.

6. Quinquennial Works & Servery

6.1 Faculty

lain Frearson is helping to complete a questionnaire required by the Insurance company. South Cambridgeshire District Council has confirmed that planning permission is not required and the Faculty application will be submitted shortly.

Nicholas had commented that we need to have sufficient funds available before starting the contract to avoid any shortfall; the PCC agreed.

Ray had contacted the Archivist at Jesus College, Dr Robert Athol, to find more information on the three 16thcentury pews brought from the College Chapel to Landbeach by the Revd Robert Masters in 1787. Dr Athol visited All Saints' last month to view the pews and has recommended to the College Bursar that one is purchased for return to the College, and he would like one himself. A parishioner has requested the third pew. We have also received offers for the two Victorian pews to be removed.

Ray obtained information on the value of the pews from Charles Ashton at Cheffins.

Ray will submit a small item to 'What's On' to inform the parish about the Faculty application and the works proposed.

6.2 Fund Raising

Paul is arranging a date for Sarah Odell to visit the church.

7. Deanery Synod

The next meeting will be held in Waterbeach on 16 July.

8. Treasurer's Report

8.1 Balances

Nicholas had forwarded his finance report, which showed the balances in the current and deposit accounts.

The Independent Examiner had suggested that the PCC has a Reserves Policy. Nicholas suggests that the 'alarm' level should be £10,000, which is roughly our annual outgoings excluding the diocesan share. However, he believes that it is more important to monitor the annual financial out-turn, to avoid having repeated significant deficits.

9. Fundraising / Outreach Events

The Songs from the Shows event suggested to be held on 2 June had to be cancelled due to a clash with a major musical event in Cambridge.

The acoustic band event in the Social Club on 3 May was well attended. It was agreed to arrange a further gig in the autumn, possibly 4 October. Paul will make arrangements.

Future Events

Garden Party – 14 July. Pudding Evening – 20 October (to be confirmed).

10. Minister's Items

None.

11. Correspondence

None.

12. Any Other Business

None.

13. Date of next meeting

Thursday 19 July 2018.

The meeting closed with sharing the Grace at 8.45 pm.