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### **Minutes of the PCC meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.15pm in the Reid Room**

17 Members were present at the meeting.

Alistair Bolton Chaired the meeting.

#### **1. Worship**

Psalm 121 was read together and Tessa Stephens led us through it reminding us to focus on the God who we trust and who is faithful as we walk the path ahead of us during the vacancy.

The PCC spent time in prayer.

#### **2. Apologies for absence**

There were none.

#### **3. Minutes of the meetings of 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

There were no amendments.

Barbara Edwards proposed that the minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018. This was seconded by Ewan Steele 14 were in favour and there was 1 abstention.

#### **4. Matters arising**

**a) North aisle Roof repairs.** Graeme Malyon clarified that the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018 was the closing date for the tender. The likely costs will be available to discuss at the next PCC meeting.

Becky Selmer stated that she is organising a date with Garfield Western Foundation at the end of March to discuss a grant application for the alternation to the church toilets.

**b) Parish profile.** Alistair expressed his thanks once again to the working party, particularly to Ewan Steele and Anya Heywood for their contributions. He read out the Bishop's letter that will accompany the Parish profile. The advert for the vacancy will be appearing on a number of websites. The closing date for applications will be May 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 and the dates for interviews will be 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018.

Naomi Smith asked if the St Barnabas church website is being kept up to date. Barbara confirmed that it was.

#### **5. Correspondence**

A request from Chris Hattan had been received asking if the PCC would approve a concert with Phillipa Hanna a pop/ gospel artist in the church in June 2018.

Discussion resulted around who would deal with the tickets, advertising and running of the concert including the need for AV equipment.

Alistair proposed that the PCC agreed to invite Philippa Hanna to perform a concert in the church on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and that Chris Hattan led the event. This was seconded by Ann Watson and all were in favour.

Mel Downs would write to Chris asking him the relevant questions that were discussed.

**ACTION: Mel Downs**

## **6. Chair's remarks**

Alistair expressed thanks to Tessa on behalf of the PCC for the work that she has done over the last 3 years for the church family and as University Chaplain. She was wished well in her new role as Vicar of St Mary's Nunthorpe.

Alistair thanked the three PCC members who would be retiring this year. He asked that they would consider staying on for a further year for continuity and to let him know their decision.

## **7. Facilities Management Group (FMG) report (circulated)**

Alistair presented the report.

Barbara asked if a gardener was being paid to look after the vicarage garden and Alistair confirmed that they were.

Kate Morris asked what re-decoration was being undertaken. Alistair confirmed that a number of rooms were being re-decorated at the present time but this may change once the vacancy has been filled.

## **8. Deanery Synod Report**

Allison Ward presented the report. She emphasised that the work of the deanery synod has changed over the years that she has been involved and it is far more active bringing church families together.

## **11. AOB**

i) Sam Tyndall updated the PCC on the situation with the Youth for Christ (YFC) workers. Daniel Cuyler is to return to the USA 6 months early for family reasons. Natasha Hutzler will be staying until December 2018. Sam is in discussions with the YFC leaders about whether we will have two new YFC workers this summer. This would depend on whether host families can be found. He suggested St Barnabas may consider gifting a YFC worker to St Oswald's church in Grove Hill to help with their children's work. Naomi asked who supports the YFC workers while they are with us and whether a larger team needs to be set up to relieve Sam of some of this responsibility. This was supported by a number of PCC members.

**ACTION: Sam Tyndall**

ii) Tessa reported on the student work in the church now that she will be leaving. Miriam Swaffield from FUSION is committed to St Barnabas and would be able to support and manage a volunteer student worker. Hazel Murray has agreed to accept this role with the approval of the PCC. The PCC

would be asked to approve some funding for her to use for hospitality. It was agreed that there is money available for such needs following Tessa's resignation.

Tessa proposed that the PCC approve the appointment of Hazel Murray as a volunteer student worker with a budget of £50 a month for a year to spend on student hospitality and then up to £300 over the next year for the catering and hospitality costs of the Life Group which meets on the University campus. This will be subject to review after 12 months.

Kate seconded the proposal and all were in favour.

iii) Ann Watson as our Recognised Parish Assistant (RPA) requires a mentor now that Erik has left. She will be recommissioned in October 2018.

Naomi proposed that the PCC agreed to Kate Morris being the mentor for Ann. This was seconded by Ann and all were unanimous.

#### **10. Date of the next meeting**

The next PCC meeting will be 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018

#### **9. Arrangements for the APCM**

Alistair left the meeting at this point.

Graeme chaired this part of the meeting and led the PCC in discussions about the agenda.

#### **12. Prayer and the saying of the Grace.**

Alistair re-joined the meeting which ended at 9.45pm.