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**Minutes of the PCC Meeting held on
Monday 2nd September 2019, 7.15pm in the Reid Room**

15 PCC members were present at the meeting. Revd Dr David Goodhew took the chair.

1. Worship

The PCC read Psalm 48 together and then gathered round a map of Middlesbrough and surrounding areas to pray for our town and those who live, work and study in it.

2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Kim Hunt and Paul Bury. Mark Walley will be on the PCC in due course, but not yet, so that the PCC did not have too many new members at once.

Thanks were expressed to Peter Rushton for all that he had given the church during the last 4 years. Peter would be leaving in September as a result of Sam Rushton moving to become Archdeacon of York.

3. Minutes of the meeting 8th July 2019

As there were no amendments, it was proposed by Ewan Steele and seconded by Graeme Malyon that the minutes should be accepted as a true record of the meeting of 8th July 2019, all in favour.

4. Matters arising:

a) North Aisle Roof Repairs

The cherry picker has been and the inspection of the high-level roof is now complete. The final cost has not been received yet from the contractors, but it is expected to be around £43,000.

b) Student Worker

Hazel Murray started work on 1st September. Lindsey Goodhew will oversee Hazel in this role.

c) Volunteer Youth Workers

The three Youth for Christ workers for Middlesbrough have arrived. Madi Traxinger will be based at St Barnabas and a church mentor needs to be found for her.

d) Send in the Clowns

This event made a loss of £217.38.

e) Feast of Fun

Ann Watson reported back on a successful Feast of Fun. Despite Ayresome School needing to pull out, it worked well in the church hall and more children came than last year. 65 children came during the week. Tuesday was the largest day, with over 50 children and lunch served to over 100 people. Our food was almost all supplied by the local Co-op, with a small top-up from the church, and a supply of Quorn products. The milk and fruit juice were donated once again by a local dairy. This year we allowed parents to stay, offering hot and cold drinks throughout the morning. We had very few Muslim or Eastern European families, but a number of families had been to other Feast of Fun events during the holidays. The Farmyard Flyer Mobile afternoon was a great success. Our trip to Danby was enjoyed by 60 people: a full bus and 2 car loads. It rained a bit, but no-one seemed to mind. Next year, we need to decide whether we go back to the school if it is on offer or stay in the church hall. The core team have ideas about ways to improve the use of the hall.

5. Correspondence

None

6. Vicar's remarks: Thinking about strategy

David presented a paper: 'Thinking Forward', which was circulated and is attached to the minutes. It set out a roadmap for creating a Mission Action Plan by June 2020. The PCC discussed this in small groups before feeding back comments and responses. David suggested that the PCC consider and pray about this, with the aim of taking a decision about the process of forming a strategy for the future at the October meeting.

7. Bishops' Mission to the Northern Province

This will take place from 12th- 15th March 2020, when all the bishops of the Northern Province will come to York Diocese.

8. Movement Day

Transforming Teesside Together is organizing this weekend, 12th – 14th June 2020, which includes a Saturday conference at the Town Hall aimed at helping the churches in the Tees Valley develop a strategy for mission.

9. Facilities Management Group report

This was circulated and is attached to the minutes.

10. Freewill Offering to the Diocese

A paper from the wardens had been circulated to PCC members. There was a discussion about the needs of the Diocese, and our own financial situation at St Barnabas. The Diocese is short of money and the percentage of our income given to the Diocese has been increasing over the last few years. Some thought that the amount we give next year should not increase, while others expressed the wish to increase, even if only in line with inflation. PCC members wrote down the amount they wished to give. After this, it was proposed by Graeme Malyon, seconded by Alistair Bolton that **the St Barnabas freewill offer to the Diocese of York for 2020 should be £122,400**, 12 in favour, 2 abstentions.

11. Kingdom Mission Giving

The Kingdom Mission Giving amounts had been circulated and are attached to the minutes. It was proposed that **the PCC agrees to the submitted Kingdom Mission Giving for 2019 should be accepted**, proposed by Tony Hutchings, seconded by Kate Morris, all in favour.

12. Safeguarding

It was proposed that **the PCC of St Barnabas Linthorpe hereby passes a resolution to delegate to our Parish Safeguarding Representative, Allison Ward, the responsibility for preparing safeguarding Serious Incident Reports for the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser and for submitting them to the York Diocesan Secretary**, proposed by Neill Burgess, seconded by Ann Watson, all in favour.

A resolution about non-safeguarding Serious Incident Reports is also required. This was postponed to the next meeting.

13. Any Other Notified Business

David and the wardens had discussed a replacement for Peter Rushton as ministry leader for discipleship. It was suggested that Lindsey Goodhew should temporarily take on this role for 6 months and the PCC was in agreement with this.

14. Prayer

The meeting ended with prayer.

Date of next meeting

7th October 2019

Chairman.....

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