Christchurch Brunswick PCC

Wednesday 9th September 2020

**Present**: Andy Crome, Jess Davis, Tim Craft, Sally Jones, Ann Cain, Simon Gatenby (chair), Gordon Flear, Yuko Ang

**Apologies** Judith Keeble, Joel Colyer

**Introduction:** Simon read Proverbs 27:17- “As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another”. He shared two examples in recent days where this had happened- both within the Brunswick Beestro food provision that Positive Steps was hosting. He remarked that the challenge for us was continue to be a blessing to each other whilst still isolated. He prayed that PCC would be blessing to each other both in person or on line this evening.

1. **Minutes of 7th July 2020**-the minutes were accepted as a true record and there were no matters arising not on the agenda.
2. **Matters/Actions arising not elsewhere on agenda**

PCC noted that the starting on time had improved under Zoom and it was intention to continue this as Services began at 10.45 am Sharp this Sunday. The re-opening of Church buildings and activities were covered in other parts of agenda

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| 111 | Feb-20 | PCC | Service start | Publicise 10.45 start and talk to others about it |  | COMPLETE |
| 117 | Jul-20 | PCC | Re-opening of buildings | Work towards services taking place |  | COMPLETE |

1. **Mission Priorities** 
   1. Priority 1 Worship, Prayer and Evangelism -A specific group to be created with the remit to identify and create opportunities to proclaim the gospel. Teaching on mission to be delivered on Sundays.

PCC noted that Christmas planning would have to wait to closer to the time – but that a panto would not happen!

Preacher and Leaders were meeting next week and review “what is good news” series plus plan forward. Whilst the creation of an “inside out” group had not been able to happen, the start of the “whole bible” study group was encouraging with a 9 strong diverse group looking to engage with the 8-part course

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| 74 | Ongoing | P&L | Christmas 2020 | 2019 reviewed at Jan PCC -COVID will prevent Panto - leave until Nov PCC to decide what is possible | Jess | Nov PCC |
| 106 | Jan-20 | P&L | Mission | Mission teaching series- what the good news is (MAP)-to be reviewed at P&L at meeting w/c 13/9 | P&L | Nov PCC |
| 107 | Jan-20 | P&L | Mission | Create an "inside out" group to plan events and activities for 2021 (MAPP). Specific Bible Course starting in Sept | Jess | Nov PCC |

* 1. Priority 2 Young People *Continue to look at opportunities to work with young people and families especially with Refurb developments*

Simon asked if there were any questions regarding the Youth leaders meeting held last Sunday. It was noted intention to start Sunday school on 20th September and offer YPFG via Zoom once a month, as well as Senior Sunday school once a month. Final decision will take place over next weekend and communication of whats happening!

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| 72 | Nov-18 | Young People | Brunswick as a case study | Feedback from YL meeting and send PCC copy of report. YL agreed to hold lightly recommendations and action now complete |  | COMPLETE |
| 80 | Mar-19 | Young People | Needs and changes in YPFG | With COVID Restrictions YPFG will be social once a month | Youth Leaders to review | Next YL meeting |
| 109 | Jan-20 | Young People | Mission | Increasing offer to local school i.e. “Experience …” (MAPP)- Check what is possible | Jess | Nov PCC |

* 1. Priority 3 Refurb- Making the building fit for purpose. *Using the Refurb project to further missional opportunities though both Positive Steps and Church activities and events*

PCC noted the Refurb report and especially good news of grants. They were happy with the proposed next steps and also happy that the Refurb group continue progressing actions and report back to next PCC meeting

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| 51 | Ongoing | Refurb | ReFurb updates | Waiting for Sport England response/ Write to OMI with update/ | Gordon | 30/09/20 |
| 88 | Jun-19 | PCC | Mission | To discuss implications of ReFurb on Mission priorities of church -part of 3rd Sunday discussions from Nov 19- review start of PCC year? PCC discussed Feb 20 and happy with direction |  | COMPLETE |

* 1. Priority 4 More people in the mix more often. Getting *people together and creating links from our different activities and communities*

Simon noted that he was in touch with Scargill house and they were progressing actions to be “open” in 2021. It was noted a lot of congregation had already mentioned that they were looking forward to the weekend away and the “gentle” publicity was needed

Whilst 3M’s events had not been possible in 2020 for obvious reasons, there was a suggestion we join in with Tear Funds Big Quiz on Saturday 14th November.

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| 71 | Nov-18 | 3 M's | Church weekend | 23-25th April 2021 Date obtained and reserved- Simon in contact with Scargill- review after Christmas. Gently publicise | Gordon/Simon | Jan PCC |
| 105 | Nov-19 | 3 M's | Dates for 2020 | Plan dates in diary for 3M's events in 2021 (MAPP)- Look at Tear Fund Big Quiz 14/11 | Gordon/Jess | 30/09/20 |

* 1. Priority 5 Positive Steps Project *To resource and support the Positive Steps project*

PCC noted the positive steps report and were very encouraged by the amount that had been happening in these difficult times. Sally reported that she had been in contact with CSA who gave us a substantial grant towards PS earlier in year and they had been very positive about what had happened and how we had adapted the project during COVID-19.

Lots of links had been made- and challenge was now to maintain them plus slowly and safely open up. Unlikely that “drop in “will be able to happen for some time – but some groups may be able to meet once out of local lockdown. It was asked to be minuted that PCC were delighted at the work Mo was doing and facilitating.

Kay’s situation was clarified (on Furlough until Maternity pay kicks in) and that Womens Footprints would continue.

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| 5 | Ongoing | Positive Steps | PS project | Ongoing update to PCC at Business Meetings | Gordon (Mo) | Next PCC |
| 77 | Jan-19 | Positive Steps | Night shelter 2019/20 | Very Unlikely Night shelter will occur in 20/21- Item Complete |  | COMPLETE |

1. **Reports** 
   1. **Fabric**

It was noted that the back door had been altered to reflect concerns following Fire Drill. The installation of Fibre optics to allow improved Internet had also taken place. The major clean up continued to occur – following Youth room and Foyer, the Kitchen was now under going a major deep clean. Thanks, were asked to be passed onto the maintenance team, plus Nick and Ros Carr Brown.

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| 36 | Ongoing | Fabric | Reporting to PCC | Report required for each PCC as to progress | Gordon /Tim | Next PCC |
| 49 | Dec-17 | Fabric | Implement H&S policy actions | Fire Drill needs writing up/ actions from inspection | Gordon/Tim | by APCM |
| 98 | Sep-19 | Fabric | Barnabas | Detail of MOU needs to be discussed | Simon, Sally, Jess | Next PCC |

* 1. **Finance**

Sally reported that 38 (her action) and 114 had been completed. It was agreed that we would start searching for a new minibus to avoid having MOT and servicing issues with old one which was only having limited use at present

Sally reported that having done a 2020 Budget for Tudor trust application she was projecting a small surplus for 2020, despite the implications of COVID -19. Again, PCC noted how good God is.

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| 38 | Jul-17 | Finance | Mission outside Parish -Regular updates | Annual Report from Ann/ Sueli at Jan PCC. Mission co-ordinators to meet with Rector and report to PCC. (see action 110) | Sueli/Ann | Jan PCC |
| 104 | Nov-19 | Finance | Minibus | Investigate using grant and match funding as soon after Oct - speak to Garage | SIMON | Nov PCC |
| 113 | Jul-20 | Finance | Gift to M13 | Discuss with M13 if need |  | COMPLETE |
| 114 | Jul-20 | Finance | Missions Extra Pot | Details of mission pot to Ann/ Sueli |  | COMPLETE |

* 1. **Safeguarding**

Jess went through her list of actions that were required to occur so that PCC were up to date with Safeguarding process and actions. These are added as a separate document and will be chased up as actions for PCC as normal (under general heading of action 116- although 37 and 85 highlight 2 major ones)

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| 37 | May-17 | Pastoral | Safeguarding Officer | A lay person needs to be found - talk to them | Simon/Jess | By APCM |
| 85 | May-19 | Pastoral | Safeguarding references and Training | Jess to contact those outstanding | Jess | By APCM |
| 116 | Jul-20 | PCC | Safeguarding Documents | See separate list of Actions | Jess & Others | some by APCM |

* 1. **Pastoral**

Noted that pandemic had altered some actions but that the phoning around had been great success- Yuko, Ann, Sally and Andy all shared positive experiences of being involved. Thought valuable for those in contact and contacted

The welcome leaflet was with Sally and thought ready to go and ready to be published for next PCC

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| 91 | Jun-19 | Pastoral | Ongoing issues | Phone calls worked great during COVID- review will take place - | Judith/Sally/Yuko/Jess Ann | Nov PCC |
| 99 | Oct-19 | Pastoral | Pastoral | update Welcome Leaflet | Jess/Sally | Next PCC |

1. **Policy actions** 
   1. **Fairtrade and Eco Church**

PCC noted Edwin’s paper and its challenging nature. It was agreed that policy would be to do what we could on ECO church and campaign for green issues to become more affordable. Gordon would ask OMI re implications for Refurb building and heating. The 3 specific recommendations to be reviewed quarterly

On Fairtrade it was noted we had again signed up as a Fairtrade Church (and needed to put certificate up!) but it was very difficult to source everyday Fairtrade tea. Andy would champion Fairtrade issues from time to time

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| 87 | May-19 | PCC | Policy | 3 actions from Edwin's paper to be reviewed Quarterly | Gordon/Jess/Edwin | Feb PCC |
| 115 | Jul-20 | PCC | Eco Church and Fairtrade Church | Details of both to be supplied to Edwin and Andy to look at - see action 87 for ECO church. Nothing specific for Fairtrade |  | COMPLETE |

* 1. **Ongoing PCC discussions**

It was agreed that ongoing discussions would happen in 2021.

The publishing of newly worded inclusivity statement could happen

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| 92 | Jun-19 | PCC | Mission | How can we become for intentional in sharing our faith? - 3rd Sunday discussion from Nov 19- review start of PCC year? Agreed to leave till 2021 | ALL | May 21 PCC |
| 95 | Jul-19 | PCC | Equality / inclusive church/ | PCC to agreed 3rd Sunday discussion from Nov 19- review start of PCC year Ongoing 3rd Sunday from start of 2020 - restart again in early 2021 | ALL | Feb PCC |
| 112 | Feb-20 | PCC | Inclusivity Statement | update and post in church and website | Sally/ Judith | by APCM |

* 1. **AOB**

It was noted that communication roles are vital and still depends mostly on 1 individual

It was clarified that a meeting between Mission Support co-ordinators and Simon was still required

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| 108 | Jan-20 | PCC | Communication | Create a team to assist with communications- especially modern/ social (MAPP)- Concern that still mostly dependant on 1 person | ALL | Nov PCC |
| 110 | Feb-20 | PCC | Mission Support | Meeting between Simon and Others | Simon/Ann | Nov PCC |

1. **AGM Prepartion and format**

PCC noted that PCC had to occur and it was proposed by Zoom on Wednesday 21st October. Apart from official reports and formal procedures, it was felt it could also be a time of celebration looking back at what had gone on / happened with so much of church since March and people would be encouraged to share and celebrate.

1. **Review and Close**

PCC felt meeting had gone well (reviewed every PCC action by 21:30!) and that having people online had not been an issue. Simon thanked PCC for serving on longest PCC year ever and encouraged them all to seek others to join us as we were not up to quota at all. The meeting closed in saying the grace.

Gordon Flear

PCC Secretary

11th September 2020