Christchurch Brunswick PCC

Thursday 25th March 2021

**Present**: Andy Crome, Dilu Varughese, Agnes Ablakwa, Jess Davis, Tim Craft, Sally Jones, Ann Cain, Simon Gatenby (chair), Judith Keeble, Gordon Flear, Elizabeth Adebo, Yuko Ang, Jenny Ferneyhough

**Apologies**, Joel Colyer

**Introduction:**  Simon asked PCC the significance of this day in the Church’s calendar and it was noted it was the annunciation – 9 months before Christmas. He commented on Marys perplexed (rather than petrified) response to the Angel – a combination of hope and trust in a daunting situation and couldn’t help reflecting on the similarities with us and our Refurb project. He noted Mary’s faithfulness - trust in God for the future and prayed that PCCC might follow in her footsteps this evening

**Minutes of 24th February 2021** -the minutes were accepted as a true record

**Matters/Actions arising not elsewhere on agenda**

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| 110 | Feb-20 | PCC | Mission Support | Meeting between Simon and Ann (&Others) to create written description of role | Simon/Ann | Before next PCC |

Simon and Ann had not yet met- but was important to do so before new PCC in May. Noted that mission partners now very visible and high on Church agenda.

1. **Mission Priorities** 
   1. Priority 1 Worship, Prayer and Evangelism

There were no MAP actions for this priority, even though Preacher and Leaders had met. Due to lack of time, there was no Stepping Stones review or viewing at this PCC

* 1. Priority 2 Young People

It was noted that Youth leaders were planning to meet on Monday (29th) and would consider actions

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| 80 | Mar-19 | Young People | Needs and changes in YPFG | YPFG will continue twice a month | Youth Leaders to review | Next YL meeting (29th March) |
| 134 | Feb-21 | Young People | Opening up spring 2021 | Advise SS leaders of PCC suggestions | Gordon | YL meet 29/3- report back at Apl PCC |

* 1. Priority 4 More people in the mix more often.

The deposit paid to Scargill for July 22 weekend away was noted and reported 29 people had already signed up

* 1. Priority 5 Positive Steps Project

Simon update regarding the delaying of Training for CAP project until May and likely start up in September as course really needed face to face contact. He also reported the funding bid with Age UK had been unsuccessful and a PCC discussion on this would be required in new PCC year.

PCC noted the Positive steps activity on line and also intentionality to discuss start up plans during Q2 2021

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| 5 | Ongoing | Positive Steps | PS project | Ongoing update to PCC at Business Meetings | Gordon (Mo) | April 21 PCC |
| 123 | Dec-20 | Positive Steps | Potential Project with CAP | course/ project with CAP - will start training in may- start in Sept- funding discussion | Simon/ Judith | New PCC year (June ?) |
| 131 | Jan-21 | Positive Steps | Strategic meeting | Review Positive steps activities and relaunch following Pandemic | Positive Steps Manager, Rector and PS steering Group | Q2 2021 |

* 1. Priority 6 – Climate Crisis

PCC noted the Climate group report and agreed that the 1st weekend of June should be a kick start for the Climate Crisis awareness and action in Church

PCC also encouraged Preachers and leaders to use Creation tide as the period for leading and teaching on the Climate Crisis and links to faith and our beliefs. Jess would take this forward with P&L.

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| 132 | Jan-21 | Climate Emergency | Actions | 1st 3 months actions | Climate Group | Apl 21 PCC |
| 136 | Mar-21 | Climate Emergency | Climate Crisis weekend | 1st Weekend in June- Publicity, activity - report back | Gordon and Climate Group | April 21 PCC |
| 137 | Mar-21 | P&L | Climate crisis and faith | Teaching series in Sept 21 | Jess and P&L | June PCC |

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

Tim said that there were no real issues that the Refurb discussion would not encompass

Simon reminded PCC that Barnabas was now full and that he still had to get a written agreement from Holy Innocents

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| 36 | Ongoing | Fabric | Reporting to PCC | Report required for each PCC as to progress -Roof and Burner issues to sort | Tim | Next PCC |
| 49 | Ongoing | Fabric | Implement H&S policy actions | Review H&S Policy and do outside inspection. | Gordon/Tim | April PCC |
| 98 | Sep-19 | Fabric | Barnabas | Chase Richard Y for MOU - ongoing | SIMON | Next PCC |

* 1. **Finance**

Sally advised PCC that 2020 accounts had been fully audited and would be brought to pre -AGM PCC for approval. She noted a small surplus in general funds

Sally also advised PCC that she had applied for and obtained a £2000 grant for the well being of employees, Volunteers and Trustees from Tudor trust. It had to be spent by September so Sally would discuss with Mo initially what we could do with it

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| 38 | Jul-17 | Finance | Mission outside Parish -Regular updates | No change for 2021- sally to update Ann on any funds available | Sally | April PCC |
| 104 | Nov-19 | Finance | Minibus | Take minibus off road - aim for new one in late Summer | SIMON | June PCC |
| 138 | Mar-21 | Finance | Tudor Trust Grant | To discuss how it can be used | Sally | June PCC |

* 1. **Safeguarding**

Jess had to join meeting late and due to amount of other business was not able to update on her actions. It has been agreed that she will update PCC with a full report for April PCC

Simon had not sent out the reminder for PCC Trustees to undertake DBS checks and would do so as soon as possible

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| 37 | May-17 | Safeguarding | Safeguarding Officer | Naomi Harrison can take position as Safeguarding officer - Training to be progressed after easter | Jess | April PCC |
| 85 | May-19 | Safeguarding | Safeguarding references and Training | Jess to contact those 1or 2 left | Jess | Written Update at next PCC |
| 116 | Jul-20 | Safeguarding | Safeguarding Documents | See separate list of 10 Actions on page 2- Jess will chase in early 2021- 6 items to update on | Jess & Others | Written Update at next PCC |
| 135 | Feb-21 | Safeguarding | PCC DBS | Simon to send links to PCC members who do not have a church DBS | Simon | ASAP |

* 1. **Pastoral**

The two outstanding actions still required completion as soon as possible

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| 91 | Jun-19 | Pastoral | Ongoing issues | Continuing phoning - will review once regularly back in Church | Judith/Sally/Yuko/Jess Ann | Apl 21 PCC |
| 99 | Oct-19 | Pastoral | Pastoral | PRINT Welcome Leaflet | Jess | ASAP |
| 112 | Feb-20 | Pastoral | Inclusivity Statement | post in church and website | Sally/ Judith | ASAP |

* 1. **Deanery Synod.**

PCC noted the planned pre meeting of 1st new deanery on April 28th. Simon also reminded PCC that the new Vicar at Ascension Hulme was inducted last Sunday.

1. **Mission Action Plan priorities**

**c. Refurb Project**

**I) Main Project**

Due to the lateness of the paper and details surrounding the decisions PCC had to make, Gordon went through the paper in detail.

In terms of the building update, it was clarified that the items on the VE list were separate. There was debate about the relative importance of a dry lounge and an acoustic ceiling in the refurbished hall. In terms of church maintenance, the lounge was greater need- but had to be done whatever Refurb took place. The acoustic ceiling was felt very important by a group of members if hall was to be really useful for a variety of uses. Gordon suggested an investigation of lounge by roofers was next steps.

In terms of costs and funding, the numbers included all the VE (savings) plus additional drainage costs and £3000 extra heating costs for whatever option we required to get “central area” of building heated properly.

PCC formally voted on the (slightly revised) proposals and unanimously agreed that Refurb phase 1 should start as indicated with current costs and funding outlined on the various papers. These were:

* To proceed with an investigation into correct repair for the Lounge Roof, but take out of Refurb Phase 1
* To proceed with Refurb Part 1 as outlined above at £548K cost and £11k less funding at time of decision
* Commit to a Contract with Armitage Construction and instructing Simon to sign as such as Chair of PCC.
* To agree use of loan offered if required (which now is possibly not needed, but is necessary because of Sport England requirement).
* That acoustic ceiling was priority for Refurb pt. 1 if funds became available but to note the necessity to ensure lounge watertight
* To Continue to prioritise discussions on activities to use new facilities during Q2 of 2021.

**ii) Garden Project**

Anne Flear joined the meeting and presented an update to PCC on what had happened with Garden space over past month, how the current consultation was going, what the plans and timetable was for the space and asking PCC to think about a number of principles that needed to be set (and that would impact the use and expectation from Community for the garden). PCC were sent the presentation and asked to fill in the questionaries and respond to Anne direct as PCC members before next meeting.

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| 51 | Ongoing | Refurb | ReFurb updates | Report to PCC monthly on process and costs/ Funds | Gordon | Update at next PCC |
| 122 | Dec-20 | Refurb | Rear of Church Plans | PCC to fill in questionaries and respond to Anne on Principles | Via Gordon | April 21 PCC |

1. **Stepping Stones for Growth**

There was no time to look at the next Stepping stones video but Simon remarked it was intention to continue to look at the material over the course of the year.

1. **Review and Close**

A one-word review of the meeting was “informative”. Jess closed the meeting in Prayer

Gordon Flear

PCC Secreateay

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