

ST. LEONARD'S CHURCH GLAPTHORN
Minutes of Parochial Church Council Meeting held at Windy Ridge,
Thursday 31st January 2019

Present:	
Stephen Webster	Patricia Newton
Jema Ball	Richard Stark
Brigitte Hilton	Sonya Moss
Charles Wide	Ursula Wide
Sid Charlton	Philip Hilton

1.	Stephen led opening prayers. The meeting was chaired by Stephen.	
2.	Apologies: Tracey Kerr.	
3.	Minutes of the PCC meeting dated 7th November 2018 were signed as approved by Sid.	
4.	Matters Arising: There were none.	
5.	<p>Church Matters: Growth Action Plan progress:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The AV proposal received from Hilltop has been approved by the DAC. In relation to lighting, Benedict Cadbury of Lampholder is working on the proposal at the moment. The present intention is to include AV and lighting in the same faculty application. 2) The organ has been serviced and the bill has been paid. The cost was covered by donations already received. 3) Liturgy. Lengthy discussion took place on the liturgy proposed for the new Communion service booklet. A number of changes from the temporary booklet were agreed. Ursula will produce the draft format for the agreed booklet and pass this on to Stephen. It is expected that St. Peter's will be able to produce the final version which will then be ready to go to the printers. PCC members thanked Ursula for all her work on this. 4) Vision Day. To discuss the Growth Action Plan. This will take place on Saturday 2nd February, starting at 9.30 am in the village hall. 	UW
6.	<p>Vicar's Report and Services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Stephen informed the PCC about the sabbatical he is taking in May, June and July. 2) Young families' initiative. Jema reported on benefice initiatives to help children grow in faith. She reported that Carrie Smith has kindly offered her home to host some of these sessions. 	JB

	<p>3) Stephen reported on the search to employ a youth worker, to work with children aged approximately 11-14, in the benefice. St. Peter's would be paying for this. Interviews are to be held on 11th February.</p> <p>4) Mothering Sunday (31st March) is a 5th Sunday, so there will be no Pilgrim Group on that day.</p> <p>5) Future services: Philip suggested a Choral Evensong to be held at some time during the summer. Also a Summer Songs of Praise to be held in early September.</p>	PH
7.	<p>Parish contribution to benefice share: Glapthorn's proposed contribution of £14,987 maintains the proportions within the benefice that have been in place for some time. Charles proposed that this proportion be maintained. All in favour.</p>	
8.	<p>Treasurer's Report:</p> <p>1) Richard informed the meeting of income and expenditure figures which will be in the draft accounts. Income has remained similar to that of the previous three years. There will be a small deficit this year, due to expenditure slightly exceeding income.</p> <p>2) In March, the diocese will be hosting a presentation on cashless giving.</p>	
9.	<p>Safeguarding. Nothing to report.</p>	
10.	<p>Deanery Synod Report: Philip reported that there have been no Synod meetings since the previous PCC meeting. The next Synod meeting is on 26th February and will be about children and young families in rural communities. This is an open meeting, at St. Peter's.</p>	
11.	<p>Social Committee Report:</p> <p>1) Bluebell Teas, on Monday 6th May, will include a tombola and plant stall.</p> <p>2) There will be an Open Gardens event in Glapthorn on 16th June, in aid of Cransley Hospice. The church will be decorated, and there will also be an art exhibition in the church. Cransley Hospice will provide, and pay for, the publicity. This is not a fund raiser for the church.</p> <p>3) An organ recital was suggested. Ursula will contact the organisers of Music in Special Places.</p>	UW
12.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>1) A request has been received from the Glapthorn Village Hall Management Secretary, for a church representative to join the Trustees of the Village Hall. After discussion, it was agreed that the PCC Secretary will write to thank them for the invitation but decline.</p>	PN

	2) 100 Club. Sonya reported that 96 numbers have been purchased this year, leaving 4 remaining.	
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Date of next meeting: The Annual Vestry Meeting, in church, Tuesday 2nd April 2019.

Stephen closed the meeting with prayer.