

# ST AGNES CHURCH, CAWSTON

## MINUTES OF PCC MEETING

### HELD ON TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2006

The meeting was held at The Rectory, Cawston and commenced at 7:30 p.m. with prayers led by Rev. Tom Harris.

Present at meeting: Rev. Tom Harris, Mr. Peter Boxshall, Mr. Andrew Cameron-Heffer (minutes), Mrs. Mandy Cameron-Heffer, Mrs. Jane Court, Mr. Simon Court, Mrs. Debbie Grave, Mrs. June Hopper, Mrs. Kate Harris, Mrs. Rita Mead, Mr. Brian Seager and Mr. Alex Young.

No apologies were received as all PCC members were present at the meeting.

#### 1. Minutes of Previous Meetings (held 19<sup>th</sup> April 2006)

These were agreed without amendments.

#### 2. Matters not dealt with elsewhere

##### *Sunday School Outing*

The forthcoming Sunday School outing is set for 8<sup>th</sup> July. It will start with a train ride from Holt to Sheringham following by a beach visit and meal. The trip was sanctioned by the PCC.

##### *Wall*

At long last the repairs to the wall have been completed.

##### *Co-Opting People to the PCC*

As discussed at the AGM Mr. Simon Court has spoken with Mrs. Bobby Ward and she has agreed to join the PCC as a co-opted member.

##### *Pilgrim Visit*

Plans for the Maundy Thursday pilgrim visitors are well in hand.

#### 3. Appointment of organist/musical director

A large part of the meeting was taken up discussing this item.

The PCC members expressed their thanks for all the hard work undertaken by Mrs. Kate Harris to improve the music in the church. In response Mrs. Harris said she had enjoyed planning music to enhance worship and fellowship but had taken the decision to step down as 'Musical Director'. This decision had not been taken lightly but she felt that she could not continue in this role.

A suggestion made by Mrs Harris was to seek the services of a paid Musical Director. The pay scales of other organists (at West Runton and Cromer) were discussed. It was felt that Cawston PCC would be unable to afford these services at the present, but this would be reviewed later in the year. If we do hire the services of a Musical Director then we could ask this person to run concerts to offset their fees.

The PCC spend a lot of time discussing how the tasks currently undertaken by Mrs. Harris would be done in future. The salient points were:

- Family Praise (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month)

A "Worship Team" would be formed to plan the monthly praise. Mrs. Mandy Cameron-Heffer will play the music.

- Special Services

At present Mrs. Harris plans all the non-standard services. This task could be undertaken by the Worship Team. An organist would have to be hired for these services.

- Music for Other Sundays (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month)

Music currently planned by Mrs. Harris. The Worship Team will have to look at how the music planning is arranged. Additionally the team will need to identify how the live music in the services will be undertaken.

It was agreed to form a Worship Team to plan worship, intercessions, readers and music. Rev. Harris would assist with this process.

#### 4. Autumn Programme

A plan of forthcoming activity was discussed. Any publicity will be paid by the Magazine fund plus sponsorship.

#### 5. Reports

##### *Financial*

A financial summary was distributed with the PCC agenda. Our Parish Share payment for 2006 is up to date. The Barn Dance raised £1,428.

##### *Fabric*

##### *Security Marking*

Security marking of the keyboard, chairs and tables in is progress. Mr. Simon Court said this would be completed shortly.

##### *Grass Cutting*

The grass outside the Scout Hut is being cut regularly. The edges need to be strimmed, preferably with a petrol trimmer. Rev. Harris asked if anyone knew of a willing volunteer to undertake this task.

The churchyard grass is looking even better this year than last. A letter of thanks will be sent to the Parish Council.

##### *Church Cleaning*

Mr. Mike Graver is planning another Church Scrubbing Day shortly.

##### *Re-Ordering*

The DAC recently sent a letter to Rev. Harris. This letter removed their main objections to the planned re-ordering. A short discussion ensued about how to progress with the plans. The PCC unanimously agreed to continue with the re-ordering and to plan the changes as one large project; thus enabling us to tap available funding on a large scale.

#### 6. Visitor Report

There have been two major visits to the church recently. These netted £100 and £40. A further visit is planned shortly. Rev. Harris expressed his thanks for all the hard work undertaken by Mrs. Sandra Young to make these events a success.

#### 7. Date of Next Meetings

Dates for future PCC meeting were set as:

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2006 at 7:30pm

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2006 at 7:30pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2006 at 7:30pm

The meeting closed at 10 p.m. with prayers led by Rev. Harris.