

ST AGNES CHURCH, CAWSTON
MINUTES OF PCC MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 19TH JULY 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), Mr. Simon Court, Mrs. Debbie Graver, Mrs. June Hopper and Mr. Brian Seager.

Apologies received from: Mrs. Mandy Cameron-Heffer, Mrs. Jane Court, Mrs. Rita Mead and Mr. Alex Young.

1. Minutes of Previous Meetings (held 6th June 2006)

There were reviewed, but due to several omissions they were not ratified. This process will take place at the next meeting.

2. Matters not dealt with elsewhere

Scrubbing Day

A cleaning day will be held in Church on Saturday 29th July. Refreshments will be provided by Lyn.

Prayers for future meetings

The following people will arrange prayers as follows:

- August meeting – June
- September meeting – Debbie

3. Archdeacon's Visitation

The church wardens will need to discuss and prepare for the Archdeacon's Visitation that takes place on 15th and 17th November this year. Rev. Harris told the meeting that this visitation was in effect 'an audit' of the church.

4. Confirmation

A confirmation will take place on 15th August at Cawston – led by Bishop James.

5. Autumn Programme Publicity

The plans for forthcoming services and events were discussed. A printed leaflet is being prepared by Mr. Jeremy Brockman. The main events are:

Harvest Supper on Saturday 16th September. Organised by Mrs. Betty Brunt; profits to 'Uganda Support Fund'

Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 17th September. A joint service with 'Churches Together in Cawston' with a retiring collection for 'Norwich Night Shelter'

Cawston Grand Prix on Saturday 7th October. This will be a day of playing with Scalextric organised by Mr. Simon Court. Collection for 'Air Ambulance'

Annual Memorial Service on Sunday 5th November at 6:30pm

Remembrance Day (Saturday 11th November) at the War Memorial

Remembrance Sunday Service on Sunday 12th November at 3pm in church; with British Legion and Cawston Ban

Carol Service on Sunday 17th December at 6:30pm; with Cawston Band

Christingle Service on Christmas Eve at 6:30pm; proceeds to The Children's Society

Candlelit Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve at 11:30pm

Family Eucharist on Christmas Day at 11am

Following the discussions about the 'big' services and events for the coming months the PCC talked about how to keep warm during the coldest months in church. It was proposed to move the services from the church to another venue (possibly the school) on the following dates: 19th and 26th November, 3rd and 10th December 2006. The proposal to move would be discussed in church to see if anyone objected to the move. Rev. Harris will approach the school to check availability and cost.

6. Harvest arrangements

Mrs. Betty Brunt is convening a committee to organise the Harvest Supper. The event will be non-ecumenical.

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

8. Reports

Financial

A financial summary was distributed with the PCC agenda.

The Scout Wall saga is finally over. The wall cost £3,507.37. Grants were received from Broadland District council (£1,754) and Cawston Parish Council (£1,000). The PCC therefore had to pay £753.37 towards the repairs.

A cheque for \$1,000 has been received from Rev. Mark Cannaday. This was worth £527.39.

Fabric

Maintenance Schedule

Rev. Harris proposed that a White Board be displayed at the rear of the church so that maintenance jobs could be shown.

Re-Ordering

No update at present.

Worship

The first meeting has been held to discuss worship plans. It was decided that the choir would take ownership of music plans. At the time of the meeting there have been no volunteers to play music. An advert will be placed in the Parish Magazine, 'Reepham Post' and 'Across The Sea'.

The PCC currently have no money to pay for the music but it was stated that if everyone at church gave £1 per week then we would have sufficient funds. It was agreed that the adverts would quote RSCM rates.

9. Chairman's Items

Environmental Policy

Mr. Court told the PCC about the recently published Diocese Environmental Policy. It was agreed that further discussions would take place at the next PCC meeting.

One item mentioned was about using an ethical electricity supplier. Mr. Court proposed looking at changing our existing supplier to Ecotricity.

Fairtrade Church

The PCC pledged to use and promote Fairtrade goods at the church and at all meetings held by the church.

Photo Gallery

It was proposed photos of major events be displayed at the back of church. This idea will be discussed at length at a future meeting.

Alphadot Security Tag

Rev. Harris asked if Aphadot security tags had been applied to all the new furniture recently purchased. Mr. Brian Seager was unsure whether the scheme was still valid. This will be investigated

10. Date of Next Meetings

Dates for future PCC meeting were set as:

Tuesday 8th August 2006 at 7:30pm (prayers led by Mrs. June Hopper)

Tuesday 12th September 2006 at 7:30pm (prayers led by Mrs. Debbie Graver)

The meeting was closed with prayers led by Rev. Harris.

Post Script: Rev. Harris has discussed the hire of Cawston School for services. This would cost £32.96 per week.