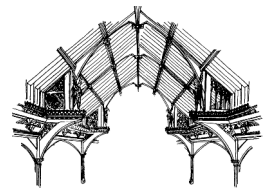


ST AGNES CHURCH, CAWSTON

MINUTES OF PCC MEETING

HELD ON TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2008



The meeting was held at 10 Marshall Howard Close and commenced at 7:30 pm with prayers led by Mr. Simon Court.

Present at meeting: Mr. Andrew Cameron-Heffer (minutes), Mrs. Mandy Cameron-Heffer, Mrs. Petula Chenery, Miss Alice Court, Mrs. Jane Court, Mr. Simon Court, Mrs. Lyn Fairchild, Mrs. June Hopper, Mr. Brian Seager, Mr. Phil Whiting and Mrs. Jenny Woodford

Apologies received from: Rev. Tom Harris, Mr. Brian Canavan, Mrs. Betty Uffindell and Mr Alex Young

1. Agree minutes of last PCC meeting

The minutes of the PCC meeting held on 16th September were adopted subject to the following amendments:

1. In the item about a venue for "Cold Months" the following were omitted: (1) Mr. Phil Whiting offered to hold 'Sunday Club' at his house while the church building was too cold. (2) A note will be distributed to primary school children about the 'Mothering Sunday' service which will be held in school.
2. **Mrs. Jane** Court (rather than **Mr. Simon** Court) stated that the Sunday Club members currently return to the services for communion.
3. The STITCH report should have stated that STITCH will be taking **part** in (rather than taking **place** in) a "London Monopoly Challenge". STITCH tee shirts were **to be ordered** (rather than **on order**)
4. The Bishop's Visitation was to include attending Morning Prayer and a meeting with the church wardens

2. Matters not dealt with elsewhere

STITCH

A £1,000 grant from the diocesan Youth Evangelism Fund has been received. It is planned to purchase public address equipment with these funds. STITCH tee shirts have been ordered. They are being sourced from a fairly traded source.

Re-Ordering Plan

To ensure a smooth process in future grant applications Mr. Simon Court requested the following resolution be made:

To proceed with the Re-ordering of the north transept, the north chapel (former organ chamber) and the nave east end dais. The work is described in a Project Specification and Schedule of Works by Philip Orchard of the Whitworth Co-Partnership dated 27 November 2007 and revised 18 March 2008 and in drawings Nos. AS01/A and AK03/D dated December 2004, AK07/A dated April 2007, AK10, AK11, AK12, AK13, AK14, AK15A, AD16, AK17A, AD18A and AD19 dated October 2007 and AK20, AD21 and AD22 dated November 2007, all prepared by the Whitworth Co-Partnership.

The resolution was proposed by Mrs. Mandy Cameron-Heffer and seconded by Mrs. Lyn Fairchild. It was carried unanimously.

Flower Festival

The net profit from the 2008 Flower Festival was £4169.35.

3. Review of Mission Statement

The item as carried forward to the next PCC meeting.

4. Review of PCC Environmental Policy

Mr. Simon Court talked about the existing policy. Areas discussed were recycling and fair trade. The following resolution was made:

St Agnes Church, Cawston to investigate the possibility for utilising "green" energy in future plans for the church.

This resolution was carried unanimously. The existing environmental policy was re-adopted.

5. Review of Fair Trade Church Status

Mr. Simon Court listed the main criteria necessary to claim St. Agnes as a 'Fair Trade Church'. These were:

1. Using Fair Trade tea and coffee at all church events (some 'old' non-Fair Trade stocks are being used up)
2. Using other Fair Trade items (items such as biscuits are now Fair Trade)
3. Promoting Fair Trade fortnight (almost weekly Fair Trade stall beats this requirement)

Thanks were given to Miss Alice Court for her continued work in this area.

6. Reports

Financial

Mr. Alex Young had prepared a written statement prior to the meeting. It is planned to move the Ministry Account from Alliance & Leicester to Barclays. Parish Share payments for 2008 are on target.

Fabric

Maintenance

A tap has been added to the water butt. A second butt is planned.

Re-Ordering

Mr. Simon Court reported that we were awaiting the next faculty to be approved.

Norfolk Historic Churches Trust (NHCT) has contacted Mr. Simon Court. An offer of a £10,000 grant has been made by NHCT in response to the recent rejection of the grant application from English Heritage (see previous PCC minutes for details).

Organ Re-Building

Mrs. Lyn Fairchild and Mrs. Betty Uffindell recently visited Mr. Richard Bower to check progress on the organ re-building. A cheque for the next staged payment was made to Mr. Bower at that time. Mr. Andrew Cameron-Heffer asked why this payment was made, which in his view was directly against the wishes of the PCC at the last meeting. The discussions became very animated.

One item outstanding was a confirmation from Mr. Bower that the organ would be installed, and available, by Christmas 2008. It was decided that Mr. Cameron-Heffer would contact Mr. Bower by e-mail to see whether the organ was likely to be back in church for Christmas.

Fund Raising

English Heritage held a 'Heritage Day' on 26th September 2008. It was planned that Mr. & Mrs. Uffindell attend on behalf of the church. Unfortunately insufficient tickets were available so they did not attend.

The newly formed 3F (Fabric, Finance and Fund Raising) inaugural committee meeting is planned to take place soon.

Worship

Reports

Recent services have included a Taizé service and the Harvest Service. Both these were deemed a success. The success of the Harvest Supper was also mentioned.

Plans

Plans for October (Bible Sunday); November (End of Year review); December (Christingle) were discussed.

The 2008 Rogation Day walk around the village will be repeated in 2009, on Sunday 26th April.

Children and Youth Work

The "London Monopoly Challenge" recently undertaken by STITCH was a great success. The team ran round all the 'Monopoly' sights of London and won the Junior Cup event.

The annual visit to the pantomime in Norwich has not yet been arranged, reported Mr. Simon Court.

A Youth Committee meeting is planned for Friday 7th November.

7. Chairman's Items

There were no Vice-Chairman's items

8. Date of Next Meetings

Dates of forthcoming PCC meetings:

- 11th November 2008 at the Rectory
- 6th December 2008 to be a PCC meal at The Bell, Cawston
- 3rd February 2009 at the Rectory
- 17th March 2009 at the Rectory
- 19th April 2009 will be the AGM

The meeting was closed at 9:30pm with prayers led by Mr. Simon Court.