

ST MARY MAGDALEN, KNIGHTON

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting held at 7:30pm on
20 June 2023**

Present: Revd Adrian Jones (Chairman), Kate Adams, Amanda Beck, Beryl Bonfield, Tabitha Fogg, Michael Gasper, Sian Howard, David Palmer, Judith Rudd, Nigel Siesage (Secretary) and Ida Stanyer.

Apologies for absence were received from Lorna Pollard.

The meeting opened with a discussion of Ephesians 2, on the subject of Grace.

23/36 POSITIVE NEWS

The PCC noted a number of interesting and encouraging developments, including Cecilia's forthcoming ordination and the success of the recent coffee morning.

23/37 PARISH CENTRE

The PCC resumed its review of the immediate and long-term position of the Parish Centre. It was agreed that the information requested from the Diocesan Land Agent was still needed. It was also recognised that, even after the recent decorative improvements, the condition of the interior was a deterrent to bookings. It was agreed that Mark should be asked to prepare a list of the most urgent needs in this respect.

Action: AJ, AB

23/38 SOUND SYSTEM

The PCC noted that a Faculty would be required for the new system. Issues relating to the precise location, the appearance and material of the desk, and the need for additional power points needed to be addressed. It was agreed that Mrs Beck should work with Dr Howard and other relevant parties to move these matters forward

Action: SH, AB, AJ

23/39 RENEWAL OF GIVING

The PCC noted progress with the programme of communication with the congregation about the renewal of giving. It was agreed that there should be a presentation on the 'Parish Giving' scheme at an appropriate stage. The Vicar would liaise with Philip Leech from the Diocese.

Action: AJ

23/40 DEFIBRILLATOR

A quote had not yet been obtained. It was noted that, for this sort of work, the consent of the Archdeacon might be sufficient, rather than a Faculty.

Action: SH

23/41 PLACE OF PEACE

4 companies, all local, were considering making quotes for the proposed works for phase 2 of the place of peace project.

23/42 SERVICES ON 3RD SUNDAY

The PCC reviewed in detail the attendance on the third Sunday of the month over the year to March 2023. It was unanimously agreed that the existing provision of a non-eucharistic 10.30 service should be retained, with no further scheduled re-examination of the principle. In the light of this decision, arrangements could now be made to develop the content at this service, and to promote it more effectively.

23/43 FIRST AID

it was noted that there were currently four trained first aiders. It was agreed to add Tabitha to the list and to seek additional volunteers, noting that training was £144 per person.

23/44 WEBSITE

The PCC noted that a volunteer had offered to redesign the parish website. This offer was welcomed. In view of the complex issues, a group of people with relevant interests and experience might also be necessary to advise. The issue would be considered in greater detail at the next meeting.

23/45 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the PCC held on 9 May 2023 were approved, subject to two corrections to the attendance list.

23/46 HEALTH AND SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDING

There were no matters to report.

23/47 FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 14 September. As agreed above, development of the website would be one agenda item.

Chairman

(Duration of meeting: 2 hours 10 mins)