

Parish Council meeting minutes - 3rd September 2018

Attendees: Kit Tranmer, Michelle Spears, Mike Eggleton, Paul Dobson, Quentin Jackson, Paul Turpin, Isidore Faloon, Michael O'Kane, Isabel Evans/Parker and Jac Edwards.

Apologies: Matthew Ives, Paul Kinman, Rob Fernandes, William Yeung and Mike O'Sullivan.

1) Minutes of last meeting

The minutes from the last Parish Council meeting were approved.

2) Reports

a) Monthly sub-committee reports:

There were no comments on any of the sub-committee reports.

b) Parish Council email address - Mike Eggleton:

The setting up of a PCC email address was discussed. Advantages and disadvantages of this were raised and it was left that ME explore this further. In the meantime, all reports would, for now, be sent to the Secretary of the Parish Council who will forward them to the rest of the Parish Council members.

3) Matters arising

a) Litter - Michelle Spears

This issue is ongoing as MS can only speak to the school head-teachers during term-time.

b) AGM - when should it be held?

Parish Council members voted in favour of leaving the AGM in its current time-slot on a Sunday (after 11:30 mass).

It was suggested that the date of the AGM be changed from July to October. IE/P pointed out that changing the date of the AGM will require an amendment to the Constitution.

It was therefore decided that this issue will be re-discussed in June 2019.

c) Volunteers "Thank You" Day - Mike Eggleton

This event would acknowledge all volunteers within our Parish. This could include a Mass for volunteers, followed by cheese and wine. In order to ensure that ALL volunteers are included, a note would need to be put in the newsletter well in advance of the event, stating that all volunteers are invited. Michelle Spears will plan this event.

d) 24-hour Adoration - Parish Council time-slots

Paul Dobson will be meeting with the Liturgy Committee to discuss this.

e) Adult Education Group discussion - All members of the Parish Council

A wide discussion took place as to:-

- a) The timing of discussions - were evenings best or would a half day be better?
- b) The advantages and disadvantages of outside speakers, or a panel to answer questions.
- c) Topics for discussion - social and moral issues, the Church of Today.

It was left for IE/P to try to pull some ideas together with the AE sub-committee with a view to holding talks in Advent /Lent.

4) Outstanding issues/AOB

PT - Finance and Becket Centre committees are meeting in the coming weeks and will issue reports following these meetings.

ME - When will the final accounts for the Summer Fete be published? MS to speak to Aine Wood regarding this matter.

QJ - Jumble sales in our Parish raise money for charities and provide a source of cheap goods for the poor, but are costly to clear up. Following recent jumble sales, much was left over which had to be moved from the Becket Centre to the huts. Then when these were cleared the cost was over £1000. From a health and safety perspective there are rules on the re-sale of certain items. Jumble is also being left in the church porch. MS will meet, and discuss with the organisers, the above issues.

ACTIONS ARISING FROM TONIGHT'S MEETING:

Action	Name/Group	Date started	Progress/Issues	Completed
Litter	Michelle Spears	06/08/18	Ongoing	
Amendment to Constitution re: moving the AGM	Isabel Evans/ Parker	03/09/18		
Volunteers "thank you" event	Michelle Spears	03/09/18		
24-hour adoration PPC time-slots	Paul Dobson	03/09/18		
Summer fete - final accounts	Finance Committee	03/09/18		
Jumble sales	Michelle Spears	03/09/18		

5) Date of next meeting:

Monday, 1st October at 8pm.

Resources:

G Drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/OBzplfteJRdR9NlgycWM3b1dadk0?usp=sharing>

Website: <https://www.stthomaswoodford.org/>

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