

Barnes Team Ministry  
The Parish Church of St Mary Barnes

A meeting of the PCC took place on Tuesday 13 November 2018  
and started with a reflection by Rachel Skilbeck

MINUTES

Present: Peter Boyling (chair), Fouki Heller, Phil Bladen, William Heller, Patrick Findlater, Michael Murison, Sue Mackworth-Praed, Paul Teverson, Geoffrey Barnett, Lis Munden, Rachel Skilbeck, Judy Gowing  
Apologies: Cathy Putz, Jo Fraser, Tom Ridley

1. Designation of other business (none)
2. Minutes of the October meeting were signed as a true record.
3. Matters arising - none
4. Interregnum issues  
No substantial issues were raised concerning the Parish Profile. Mention of the curate's house will be included and St Mary's' status as a training parish. The latest draft will be considered at the Team Council on 3 December. Phil undertook to email the wording of the advertisement to PCC, and the confirmed wording will be available to the congregation, via a web-link.

Follow-up from Parish Consultation:

- Communication: it was decided to encourage congregation to tweet using #stmarybarnes, via pewsheet notice and email.
- Pewsheet expansion: no further action at present
- Affirming volunteers. It was decided it is not necessary for volunteers to stand up and be thanked, but that we would produce a test A5 sheet giving information about the bellringers. Trisha Hawkins was also asked to give a brief presentation about the ringing on Remembrance Sunday, in the notices slot after the service.
- St Mary's minis needs more volunteers. The church wardens will discuss this with Charlie next week.
- Pastoral visits should be kept within the St Mary's congregation. The team already follows up on people who haven't been seen recently. A phone number or email should be added to the regular announcement in the pewsheet.
- Unconscious bias. It was thought that more interaction with the Castelnu Centre would help. Annie Sullivan will talk to Simon and Sarah at CCP about what would help
- Rachel has circulated an example of the fliers circulated by St Michael's to its community. Peter suggested that we have street reps who would be responsible for circulating various fliers to their roads.
- Baptism follow-up will await a new rector.
- Dementia-awareness. Sanchi Murison is happy to give a talk to Sidesmen.
- We should all redouble our efforts to talk to different people over coffee.

- Use the parish circular to give to estate agents for newcomers.
- No-one volunteered to promote the lifts to church. Hilary Cooper would be asked.
- Pub meetings – to await the new Rector
- It was thought that we had a good list of intercessors and readers. New members of the sanctuary team would help. The Churchwardens will talk to Charlie about children intercessing. Geoffrey would be happy to make space on the intercessors list.
- The choir held an Open Evening when anyone who enjoyed singing was encouraged to come. 4 people came.
- Peter is aware that there is a request for more inspiring hymns.
- Peter Allen is providing some advice on home groups
- Formal learning opportunities – to await the new Rector.
- Pilgrimage – to await the new Rector
- The programme of meditations has been published on each Monday in Advent.
- Lent groups are being planned.
- Reading list – periodic reminder of the lending library. Patrick will draw up a list.

#### 5. Finances

Patrick presented figures covering the first 9 months, which it was noted were very close to budget for 2018, and the budget for 2019, projecting a shortfall of £14,900. Michael Murison proposed the adoption of the budget for 2019, seconded by William Heller. It was unanimously approved.

- Proposal for staging will be discussed at a future meeting.

#### 6. The PCC approved the proposed charity donations, on a proposal from Geoffrey Barnett, seconded by Paul Teverson.

#### 7. Committee reports

- Kitson Hall – William Heller and Cheryl were thanked for their terrific work managing the hall.
- Fabric Committee. Peter was thanked for his oversight of all the work undertaken.
- Deanery Synod. The Council was reminded that Deanery Synod meeting are always open to all to attend. The next meeting will be on 22 January at St Richard's Ham, when Wendy Robbins, Director of Communications and Resources at the Diocese of Southwark, will be speaking.

#### 8. Recent and upcoming events. Council members were encouraged to volunteer to help at the Christmas Fair.

#### 9. Correspondence (none)

#### 10.AOB (none)

#### Dates of next meetings:

Deanery Synod: 22 Jan

PCC: 29 January

PCC: 12 March

APCM: 4 April

