

The Parochial Church Council of St Andrews Church, Boothby Pagnell

Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on Wednesday 14th April 2010.

Present :	Rev. R Ireson (Chairman)	Mr T Blake (Churchwarden)
	Mr M Collier	Mrs P Collier
	Mr K Exton	Mrs M Exton
	Mrs S Hodson (Treasurer)	Mr P Hunt (Secretary)
	Mrs J Riley	Mrs G Taylor
	Mr A Usborne (Churchwarden)	

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs B Cornford, Mr R Cornford, Lady B Netherthorpe, Mrs A Roberts and Miss H Usborne.

2. Election of Officers

The following officers were elected:

Treasurer -	Mrs S Hodson
Secretary -	Mr P Hunt
Group Council Representative -	Mr A Usborne (deputy Mr P Hunt)
Church Flowers -	Mrs J Hunt
Mistress of the Robes -	Mrs G Taylor
Churchyard Representative -	Mrs P Collier
Village Hall Representative -	Mr P Hunt

A vote of thanks was given to Pam and Mike Collier for the excellent state of the churchyard (report attached)

A vote of thanks was given to Jenny Hunt for organising the team and arranging the flowers in the church.

3. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of the PCC meeting of 10th February 2010 were signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

- a) Quinquennial Survey – Almost there! **(Percy)**.
- b) Following discussion at the North Beltisloe Group Council it was agreed that the appointment of officers for Safeguarding (child protection and vulnerable adults) and Health & Safety could be done on a group basis. However, for matters such as the testing of electrical equipment and fire extinguishers, some parishes had their own arrangements and it was left to the other parishes to make appropriate arrangements. It was agreed that we join with the Village Hall that already has a regular inspection schedule. **(Percy)**
- c) A Lent course was successfully run in the village for the Group. It was decided to continue the meeting with a regular house group (3rd Thursday of the month) and details will go into the Group magazines and the website. **(Percy)**

4. Application for Grave Space

An application for grave spaces had been received from Mr & Mrs Burrows. This required the passing of a formal resolution; Mrs Collier had confirmed that there was adequate space in the churchyard to grant the request. Mr Exton proposed the resolution, seconded by Mrs Collier and passed unanimously by the meeting (copy attached). The graveyard plan (held in church safe) will be updated to show the reservation and a copy of this together with the application and all related paperwork will be sent to the Diocesan Registry. **(Percy)**

5. Financial update

The audited 2010 accounts for the PCC and Friends of St Andrews had been presented at the AGM. The current balance of the PCC account is £3626.

6. Funding Programme

The Funding Programme is well advanced and all in the parish and other supporters have been invited to a Hog Roast / Social at Boothby Hall on 22nd May. We are hopeful of a positive response that will provide a regular income that will maintain the church and church life in Boothby Pagnell for future generations.

7. Diocesan Annual Return

The Archdeacon's visitation service will be at Bourne Abbey, 17th May at 7.30pm. The return needs to be made by 21st May (**Percy**) and this year's question that relates to Lay Ministers within the Group will be submitted by the **Rector**.

8. AOB

a) Future Services and Events

- Friday 23rd April at 3.30pm visit by Melton U3A to Manor House and St Andrews
- Sunday 9th May at 9.30am Rogation Sunday, followed by walk (and picnic) to Bassingthorpe (noon, brief service) and Bitchfield (3pm Evensong). Also Launch of the Funding Programme
- Saturday 15th May at 11.00am, Marriage Blessing – Blake family
- Saturday 19th June at 1.30pm, Wedding – Fraser family
- Saturday 19th June – Barn Dance
- Saturday 31st July at 3.30pm, Wedding – Blake family
- Sunday 1st August – flower display in St Andrews
- Sunday 26th September at 3pm Harvest Festival
- Wednesday 22nd December at 7pm, Carol Service

b) We have received details of Speight's School Charity and invited to apply for funding towards relevant items for promoting religious education to the children of the parish. The Rector, who is a trustee of the charity, indicated that some parishes had bought a range of books that children could use during the service. It was agreed that we should do this and in the first instance contact will be made with Mrs Ellis/Mrs Harvey for details prior to making an application. An input will also be obtained from local parents. (**Percy**)

c) Church Repair Society Annual Report 2009 – the Secretary omitted to mention that he had received a copy of the report which is available for inspection

9. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th June at 7pm in the Village Hall.

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