

**The Parochial Church Council of  
St Andrews Church, Boothby Pagnell**

Minutes of the meeting held at the Village Hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009.

Present :     Rev. R Ireson (Chairman)            Mr T Blake  
                  Mr R Cornford (Churchwarden)    Mr P Hunt (Secretary)  
                  Mrs S Hodson (Treasurer)            Mr A Osborne (Churchwarden)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mrs P Collier, Mr & Mrs K Exton, Miss H Osborne, Lady Netherthorpe, Mrs J Riley, Mrs A Roberts and Mrs G Taylor.

2. Approval of previous minutes

The minutes of the PCC meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> September 2009 were signed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

a) Quinquennial Survey – In the process of obtaining a ladder and will contact our architect to carry out the survey(**Andrew/Percy**).

b) Hangers for chasubles – in progress (**Andrew**).

c) Church Keys – a draft register was discussed and finalised. It will now be completed (**Percy**).

d) Building Insurance – have renewed our annual insurance. We are arranging to meet with another insurer to discuss extending our current cover (**Andrew**).

e) The review of policies and templates for Health and Safety, Child and Vulnerable Adults, etc. is in progress; there will be a report back to PCC on completion (**Andrew/Percy**).

f) Websites

i) Group website – will contact Roger Heaton to establish a link between the group website and the village website. (**Percy**)

ii) Village website has been updated to show the floral decoration at our Harvest Festival.

iii) It is apparent that the Lincolnshire County Council website is not up to date concerning the churches in the North Beltisloe group. [Have contacted Church House, Lincoln who will get their IT department to contact LCC - will monitor progress. (**Percy**)]

g) Crib set – Beau Lindley has been contacted and he will contact Andrew/Percy.

Richard indicated that crib sets are available from church catalogues (e.g. <http://www.vanpouilles.co.uk> , <http://www.charlesfarris.co.uk/products/new-products/nats01>)

4. Future services (additional details to previous minutes)

a) Advent Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 10am

Invitations will be distributed in the village and refreshments will be provided after the service (**Percy**). Richard will provide the advent crown that will require greenery to be added (**Jenny**). The communion wafer box, given in memory of Mrs Jean Spence, will be blessed prior to the communion.

b) Carol Service Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

We need to keep the service fresh and attractive to children. Agreed that we include "The night before Christmas" needs to well read (**Percy**).

c) Christmas Day at 9.30am

Mrs Kate Welbourne will be the organist.

#### d) Future Services/Events

- Baptism 28<sup>th</sup> February – Jacob Harte
- Good Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 7pm, Stations of the Cross
- Rogation 9<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am, followed by walk to Bassingthorpe (noon) and Bitchfield 3pm
- Wedding 31<sup>st</sup> July – Blake Family

#### 5. Funding Programme update

The Steering Committee met on 13<sup>th</sup> November and started work on the letters that will be sent to all villagers in the build up to the social event on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2010 at Boothby Hall. The timing is as given in the last minutes.

#### 6. Annual maintenance contract for the bells

We had received a proposal from Taylor & Son to provide annual maintenance schedule at a cost of £110. Since then the company has gone into receivership, although we understand that certain parts of the business have been restored. It was agreed that it was essential that the bells should receive regular maintenance and Andrew was asked to investigate the situation. If satisfactory, and the price was little different than before, he was authorised to agree a contract (**Andrew**).

#### 7. Financial report

The current balances are £3425.83 in the PCC Fund and £1365.00 in the Friends of St Andrews Fund. The charge has been paid and the Bishop's letter of acknowledgement will be placed on the church notice board in the porch. There are no outstanding accounts at present.

Finance will be a standard item for future PCC meetings.

#### 8. AOB and information

- After Easter there will be a monthly Village Service for the group on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. There will be other services (Communion, Evensong) available at one or more of the group churches.
- Next village service will be at Bitchfield on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 10am.
- An appointment has been made in the Colsterworth Group – Rev Eric Lomas will be inducted on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March

#### 9. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at 7pm in the Village Hall

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