

St. Bartholomew's Church Great Gransden & SS. Peter and Paul Church Little Gransden

Minutes of the Joint PCC Meeting 10 September 2014

Present: The Revd. Catharine Furlong, Betty Bates, Janice Brown, Rob Chignell, Sheila George, Stephen Sullivan, Craig Santus, Iain Strath, Nick Wareham, Jennifer Wilkinson, Mark Gostick

Apologies: Helen Catmur, Tony Bevens, Andrew Fogg, Andy Greaves, Sue Lawrence, Donald Lester, Rachel Fogg.

The meeting opened at 19:45 with prayers and The Revd. Catharine Furlong welcomed everyone..

1. Election of Secretary

Mark Gostick stood for the role, proposed by JW, seconded BB. Elected unanimously

2. Minutes of Joint PCC Meeting 15th January 2014

The minutes were approved – with SS abstaining - and were signed as a correct record with the following corrections:

minute 6c: Delete "the charities and"

minute 7a: Baptism etc pages for website still being developed and will be circulate for approval of CF before being posted online

3. Matters Arising

CF thanked Janice for inviting those with baptism anniversaries to the Mothering Sunday service on 30th March

4. Worship & Pastoral Matters

- a) A paper (attached below) proposing October – December 2014 Group Services was received.
- b) Christingle will be held on the 30th November as proposed, and will be reviewed next year with an eye to bringing it back to Christmas Eve
- c) Format of service for harvest Festival is yet to be agreed – CF to propose liturgy. Service to be followed by "bring and share" harvest tea. **SG to post in Roundabout.**
- d) There will be no family communion in Great G on 21st December
- e) Collection for Jimmy's night shelter will be on 24th December

Proposed service pattern was accepted unanimously.

5. Mission & Outreach

- a) Lifts to Church – discussion about Mr Kolaski and others being offered lifts to church as part of mission and outreach. Jenny Capps collected names of people willing to offer this as part of last stewardship campaign. **CF to liaise with Jenny Capps**
- b) Church Welcoming – There are some welcome cards on the chest in GG, none in LG. JW offered to refresh these and draw up a welcome leaflet. Action JW
- c) Stamp collection for Moggerhanger Hospice will be done again – boxes out at Advent. **JW**
- d) Posada will kick off 23rd November in LG
- e) Mindful Meander being held Sunday 14th September 11:30, concluding with lunch at Waresley village hall
- f) Harvest gifts are going to St Neot foodbank

6. Regulation of Services

A proposal for all age worship on the 1st Sunday of the month to be moved to 10am was discussed. After much debate the proposal to evaluate this for a year was accepted with 5 in favour, 3 against, 2 abstentions.

IS offered to review attendance statistics over last 3 years to try and assess impact of moving times and locations of services. **Action IS**

Evening prayer on 5th Sundays will continue

7. Communications

Welcome discussed under mission and outreach.

Facebook is accessed far more than the website

Baptismal, wedding & funeral notices will be approved by CF before being posted

Copies of approved minutes will be archived on the websites. **Action SG/CS**

8. Date of Next Meeting

14th January 7:45 at school

10. The meeting closed with the Grace at 9:05pm.

Signed and Dated

Revd. Catharine Furlong