

Minutes of Parish of Farleigh PCC Meeting Monday 7th February 2022

Attendees: Bernard Cazenove, Lynn Hardy, Beverly Guinness, Annabel Portsmouth, Rev. David Chattell, Eamonn Harding, Lynda Plenty

Apologies: Debbie Scholey and Julian Nunn

BC reported that he had received a written response from Colin Harbidge and that he will contact the Bishop of Basingstoke to arrange a meeting to discuss the Sale of, Ellisfield Rectory and the reduction in Parish Share. This was a follow up of a letter sent by the Treasurer, and the negative response to a reduction in Parish Share. BC will meet with the Bishop and Colin Harbidge and report back to the PCC.

Action BC

A replacement for EH in his role as Treasurer, was discussed and EH will arrange a meeting with Julian Gibbons to discuss further the possibility of Julian taking on Farleigh Parish as well as The Candovers.

Action EH

EH also reported that he has purchased a laptop dedicated to Treasurer work, which can be passed on.

EH gave the Treasurers Report and asked LP, BC and LH to gather attendance statistics for St Leonards, All Saints, St Martins and St Andrews, as these are outstanding.

Action: LP, BC, LH

An application to apply for Wargraves signage was agreed for Farleigh Church. Ellisfield is also in the process of making an application. We need to investigate if St Leonards should have one. The PCC allowed St Martins DCC to proceed with the application for the signage to be placed to recognise the presence of Commonwealth War graves in the church yard. The sign will be about 20cm by 15cm and will be supplied and fitted by the CWGC. St Martins will not be required to separately apply for a faculty, as this has been arranged by the CWGC. This was discussed and agreed by the ST Martins DCC.

Approval was required to carry out work on the trees at Ellisfield Church. This was given although further approval will be needed from B&D Council.

DC gave a Rector's Report included feedback on the Remembrance Service at Cliddesden, and Christmas Services.

DC also reported that Bishop of Winchester (Tim) has retired and a new Bishop will be appointed in 2023.

DC noted that the Mothering Sunday service will be held at Cliddesden on Sunday 27th March 2022, with a plan for fathers to prepare over coffee and bacon rolls on the Saturday.

DC also reported that there will be a special Jubilee service on Sunday 5th June 2022 to mark the Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

BC suggested that all future Remembrance Sunday services take place at the Church at Dummer with participation from others in the Benefice. Brownies can parade there.

Action BC to arrange a further discussion on this matter with David and representatives from all churches.

AOB

There was a discussion that the Churches should concentrate on a Carbon Neutral target. It was noted that this would need a large collection of data.

Dates:

27th April 7pm for APCM

PCC dates: , June 6th, September 12th, November 7th.

Post-Meeting note:

Gill Palmer of Cliddesden has requested the placement of a SINC notice board in St Leonard's Churchyard. This will need the approval of the PCC in order to proceed. Once all PCC members have given approval, Gill Palmer can be notified and the placement of the board can go ahead. There was approval by email from some PCC members and no objections, for the application for a notice board to proceed.