

**ST JOSEPH'S AND ST. MARY'S PARISH
PENARTH AND DINAS POWYS
PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of meeting held at 7.30 pm in St. Joseph's Church Hall on Thursday, 13th
February 2014**

PRESENT: Claire Sommerville (Chair); Canon J. Boardman; Judith Braeman, Ann Chilcott; Christiane Cantlay, Joshua Flynn; James Payyampalil; Benny Augustian; Don Clarey; Gareth Rein; Jenny Dunstan; Joyce Harding

1. Opening prayer: Canon Joe

2. Apologies for absence:

Sr. Mary Joseph, Mary Taylor; Deacon Elfed Jones; Kevin Lawrence; Marianne Cowpe

3. Minutes of the last meeting 5th December 2013

Agreed as correct record.

4. Matters arising:

The grab rail is now in place and is being used successfully.

No home has been found for the piano or the organ from St. Mary's. CS to contact College of Dance and Drama and St. Richard Gwyn to enquire if they would be of any use to anyone.

Citizens UK

This is a national movement attached to different communities to see what is going on in other people's lives and how to respond to problems or community issues. There was going to be a parish meeting but it was felt more appropriate to be involved under the auspices of Cytun, Deacon Elfed and Kevin Lawrence are the main contacts. Each community has given an amount of money to in support of this initiative.

5. Correspondence:

Letter re grab rail

6. Reports from Committees:

Finance Committee:

Canon Joe informed the committee that the parish finances are on target for projected budget figures.

The sale of Mary Johnson's house in Dinas Powys has now been completed. There had been an interim payment of £23,000 and now a cheque for £8,304 has been received as a final payment.

Gift Aid envelopes will be going out in March.

St. Joseph's:

Scaffolding on St. Joseph's is to remain up because the render has to be put back up on the church when the weather improves. This is being supervised by the Building Research Council at a cost so far of approx £7,000.

Internal presbytery works now complete. External works to be done in Summer months.

St. Mary's:

New roof application has been presented to the Archdiocese and permission has been implied but confirmation needed following receipt of tenders/ The cost is likely to be approximately £19,000. Hopefully work will commence in March, weather permitting. Church will be in use throughout the period of the work being done.

Health and Safety: Mike Bamber has inspected St. Joseph's. A lady had slipped when going to use the toilet. A white strip has been painted on the step edge and the mat well has been filled in with quarry tiles.

St. Mary's: Val Kacal has been through St. Mary's and has a list of work one item of which is the need to replace the trim on the work top in the kitchen. The kitchen door is not working properly. VC will look at this.

Cytun:

Next meeting on Wednesday 16th February 2014 in St. Joseph's Hall.

Dinas Powys Council of Churches

Canon had received the minutes. Marianne Cowpe was not able to attend the meeting as she is not well and likely to be indisposed for some months.

John Foot is the new Chair of the Council. £60.00 subs have been paid. The Good Friday Walk will take place at 6.00pm this year using the usual route.

Other meetings:

No other meetings.

7. Health and Safety:

Canon mentioned that St Joseph's Hall had not been inspected by Environmental Health for a few years. Following inspection of St. Mary's Hall by EH there was a list of works to be done most of which are complete, some are ongoing. The fridge has to be replaced JB has this in hand. St. Mary's was given a food hygiene rating of 4.

8. Safeguarding ;

AC informed the PAC that the annual review of people with CRBs had been undertaken and up to date lists are in both church halls and churches.

MT/AC have spoken to Jackie Symmonds about renewal forms for volunteers. There is no need to worry about these at present. Happy with what is being done for now.

AC/MT will be informed when to start on renewals.

There is a Clergy meeting on 27th March on Safeguarding. Canon Joe and Deacon Elfed will attend.

9. Social and fundraising activities:

St. Mary's will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day party for the senior parishioners on 15th March 2014

10. Youth:

Confirmation group meeting had been well attended.

No report on the family day at Miskin though Canon had heard that those who went enjoyed the day.

11. Website:

Everything going ok.

12. St. Joseph's School :

GR reported an increase in numbers from 155 in 2012 to 218 at the present time.

Because of the increase there were ongoing problems with the car park. An attempt is being made to try and encourage parents to put their children on the school buses. However, this is proving difficult as people have such busy lives now and tend to drop off and collect children from school.

The opening of the Observatory had been reported live on HTV news though weather has not been favourable for use.

Plans are being made for school Masses on separate weekends in SJ and SM and dates will be confirmed as soon as possible.

13: Parish Matters:

CSAN – Caritas Social Action Network

There is a questionnaire to be completed. Need to approach one or two parishioners to help. Canon to discuss with Elfed.

JB has been nominated for an award by the UHW hospital for Volunteer of the Year in recognition of the work undertaken by the church in ministering at the hospital. Winner to be announced on 14th March 2014. Congratulations to JB.

Lara Cowpe has also been nominated for a St. David's award for Citizenship in recognition of her fundraising for Teenage Cancer Fund.

14. PAC elections:

AC, JF, BA and JP are due to step down. All can serve for a further 3 years BA and JP have said they would like to. Nominations have also been received for Teresa Keating, Paul Gallone, Trixie Douglas and Ron Woods.

New members will attend next meeting. Thanks conveyed to those who are stepping down.

15: AOB:

7th March is Women's World Day of Prayer being hosted by St. Joseph's, Penarth. The service has been put together by the women of Egypt. Deacon Elfed is speaking at this. All are welcome to attend.

16. Date of next meeting:

Thursday, 1st May 2014 at St. Mary's Hall – 7.30pm

17. Closing Prayer: Canon Joe