

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

Minutes of meeting held at 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Church Hall on Thursday, 20th
November 2014

PRESENT: Claire Sommerville (Chair); Canon J. Boardman; Deacon Elfed Jones; Sister Joseph Mary; Judith Braeman, Christiane Cantlay, Kevin Lawrence; Benny Augustian; Paul Gallone; Don Clarey; Teresa Keating; Joyce Harding

<p>1. Opening prayer: Canon Joe</p> <p>2. Apologies for absence: Marianne Cowpe; Martin Price, Mary Taylor, Jenny Dunstan, Trixie Douglas</p> <p>3. Minutes of the last meeting 18th September 19th Read through and agreed as correct record.</p> <p>4. Matters arising: Item 5: Film Club proposal in St. Mary's. CS had received a note from MT who has looked into the Child Protection aspects of this. She has been in touch with Ann Chilcott. They have agreed that they will use volunteers from the Children's Liturgy group and keep a register of the children and leaders present at the event and the films the children have watched. MT queried whether this was open to both communities, it was felt this would be the case but this would be checked beforehand. Need to confirm if MP has got in touch with Lisa Hassan Scott.</p> <p>5. Correspondence: As above re Film Club</p> <p>6.. Reports from Committees: Finance Committee: In the absence of MP, Canon reported that a finance committee meeting had been held on 20th October 2014. We have had a lot of extraordinary expenditure this year, because of the various building and maintenance projects in both communities. Canon said he intends to apply to the Welsh Church Act Trust for a grant to offset some of the costs.</p> <p>The Gift Aid repayments are due to be received and will go into the parish deposit account with the Archdiocese.</p> <p>All current works have now been completed at St. Joseph's except for repainting the wall in the Lady Chapel. This will be done next year; when we are satisfied that it has dried out satisfactorily. Other areas in side chapels will hopefully dry out now that the outside walls have been re-rendered.</p> <p>Problem with the light in the Lady Chapel, bulb needs replacing. The builder has been asked to attend to this asap.</p> <p>The presbytery works are complete. Interior decoration completed in St. Mary's church.</p> <p>There is still a problem with the external walkway roof because of the</p>	<p>Agenda Item next meeting</p>
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asbestos present. An inspection was held last week and it was suggested the best answer would be to put a separate new covering above the walkway to dispose of the excess water. Removal of the asbestos would prove very expensive.

The stone statue of Our Lady inside the church will be taken away by Mossford's and cleaned, repaired and restored.

Stations of the Cross have now been put back securely on the walls with appropriate fittings.

KL mentioned a problem with the few front pews which tended to move. If someone can mark those that need looking at Canon will ask Len Wood (the builder) to have a look at them.

The wooden block floor in the old Baptismal area has been re-stained by the decorators.

MP has produced instructions re hygiene and food for the halls. Following discussion it was felt that the type and infrequency of social events etc. held in the halls was not going to cause any undue risk with regard to Environmental Health.

(b) Cytun:

CC/JH had attended the meeting on 19th November at Elfed Avenue Church.

An invitation had been extended to Eden Church to join Cytun, still awaiting reply.

The sheep trail in Penarth was underway and sheep had been placed in various outlets in Penarth. The prize giving will take place in the Library on 20th December at 4-5pm.

There will be a Christmas witness march, following the same route as the Good Friday March, on 20th December. People have been asked to bring lanterns, torches etc. and it is intended to sing Carols as they go along.

The Pentecost discussion groups are going back to the Lenten period, it was felt more people were able to attend at this time of the year. It is intended to study one of the courses from Embrace ME.

December Cytun worship will now take place on Friday 5th December at Elfed Avenue Church with the Salvation Army band. They will hold a carol service with refreshments following this.

Sue Fender has been invited to represent Penarth churches on the Implementation Group of the Penarth Town Planning initiative. Meeting to be held at the Paget Rooms on 11th December. She will need to be voted on to the committee.

Week of prayer for Christian Unity in January. Need to find venue for service.

(c) Council of churches (Dinas Powys):

Canon had received the minutes. He thanked Mo McCarthy and Marianne Cowpe for attending. He felt it was important that a presence was kept at these meetings.

Usual dates outlined for the various events in Dinas Powys.

Advent service will be held at St. Mary's on Wed 3rd December at 7.30pm JB involved with arrangements.

Canon has given £100 to the Penarth Christmas Fund.

(d) Other meetings:

Citizens UK: Canon, Sheila Collins, Joyce Harding had attended the launch at Tabernacle on the Hayes on 27th September 2014.

There were various groups involved and several projects were mentioned. Need to wait and see what will happen next and what the focus will be.

7. Health and Safety:

Previously discussed.

BT had eventually come to remove a dangling cable at St. Mary's.

8. Environmental Health Inspection – St. Mary's Hall

Already discussed.

9. Safeguarding

No report in the absence of MT

10. Social and fundraising activities:

KL informed that there was a Quiz to be held in St. Mary's hall on 13th December.

11. Youth:

SVP tea party being held in St. Joseph's hall on Saturday.

A youth event would take place at the Cornerstone which had been arranged by the five seminarians in the diocese, aimed at post confirmation age groups.

12 Web Site:

Quiet at the moment. PAC minutes for June and September to be put on . Some items need to be taken off. Don Clarey will liaise with Canon.

13. St. Joseph's School:

No report. School Mass to be held on Sunday next 23rd November in St. Joseph's church.

14. Parish matters:

Deacon Elfed: nothing to report

Sr. Joseph Mary: Busy in the parish. Sometimes difficulties getting people together in the nursing homes.

JB: All going well in Llandough.

CC: Some problems have arisen with the Lady Chaplain in Holme Tower. Canon said she needs to be reminded that he is the Catholic chaplain and we are not part of a generic chaplaincy.

15. Canon Joe:

Matters already discussed.

16. Any Other Business:

JH mentioned difficulties with the gate by the Church Hall. Difficult to open and close. Canon will have this looked at. Also a need for lighting over entrance to hall.

17. Date of next meeting:

Thursday, 22nd January 2015 at 7.30pm at St. Mary's Church Hall

18. Closing prayer: Deacon Elfed

