



PARISH OF IFIELD MINUTES OF THE PCC MEETING

Held on Sunday 20th October 2024 at St. Margaret's Church

'Extra' PCC meeting

Present:

Clergy: Revd. D. Desouza-Campbell, Curate

Laity: Mr. A. Ironside (Chair of the meeting), Mr. K Lawler, Miss V. Nicholls, Mrs. M. Pedlow, Mr. R. Pudney, Ms. J. Silk, Mrs. R. Strutt, Mrs C. Wilson (Secretary)

- 1. The meeting opened with prayer** led by Fr. Dominic Desouza-Campbell.
- 2. Apologies received prior to the meeting –**
Clergy: Revd. Christine Spencer
Laity: Mr. C. Bell, Mrs. J. Bell, Mrs. K. Davis- Gray, Mrs. L. Plunkett, Mr. J. May, Mr. T. Strutt, Mrs. S. Ward, Mrs. H. Woolsey
Mrs. Nicky Wood, Focus Group team member, had also sent her apologies.
- 3. Focus group report on Sunday services:**
Fr. Dominic had provided an update Focus Group report which had been circulated by email prior to the meeting. A revised version was distributed at the meeting (noting that there is no 0930 service on 3rd Sunday monthly, not 4th Sunday as per the circulated report). Evensong will no longer be taking place following a discussion with the choir. The meeting agreed that we need stability of services. The third Sunday 09:30 gap allows for some flexibility for Remembrance Sunday, Mothering Sunday and similar. All the services will be well advertised and an explanation given as to what the service will involve. There was some concern that publicity needs to be clear that there is no service at 09:30 on the 3rd week monthly. An all-age service with the whole congregation together will be considered at a later stage.

Andy Ironside proposed that the PCC adopt the service times as listed in appendix 3 of the revised version of the Focus Group report, which is the current pattern that has been in place since June 2024, excluding evensong. This was seconded by Mary Pedlow. All PCC members were in favour. This schedule will continue as our service pattern ongoing.

4. PCC Committees

The list of the various committees had been circulated to all at the September PCC meeting and via email. Fr Dominic explained that a leader is needed for each of the committees, who would provide updates to the PCC. The list of committees was reviewed. Several had volunteered to be on a committee (Rob Pudney - Social and Communications, Rita Strutt – Social and Fundraising, Lindsey Plunkett – Fundraising, Clare Wilson – Social and Communications, Vervan Nicolls – Social, Jo-Ann Silk – Safeguarding, Sarah Ward – Safeguarding and Communications), but not necessarily to lead it. It was asked whether the Concert Committee could be combined with the Fundraising Committee? The Eco Church committee could perhaps be a subset of the Buildings Committee? There was some concern that Social includes the coffee rota. Might others in the congregation be asked to help on the committees? The meeting agreed that the PCC leads might be, as follows:

Committee	PCC Lead:
Standing Committee	Revd. Christine Spencer
Mission and Outreach Committee	Lindsey Plunkett
Building Committee	Martin Hull

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Finance Committee	James May
Social Committee	Kevin Lawler and Rob Pudney
Health & Safety Committee	Revd. Dominic Desouza Campell supported by Andy Ironside
Fundraising Committee	Rita Strutt
Policies Committee	Jill Bell
Safeguarding Committee	Heather Woolsey and Andy Ironside
Communication Committee	Rob Pudney
Eco Committee	??
Concert Committee	Kim Davis-Gray


There are plans for a social event in mid-January 2025 with a singalong Mamma Mia with a meal in a bag and a bar in church. There will be a BBQ in summer and possibly a film night.

5. Any other business

Vision Morning – Saturday 9th November 2024 at 0930

Fr. Dominic apologised that this had been arranged at short notice without checking for PCC availability, but this is the only date the clergy are available. This is an open meeting for the whole congregation. It was noted that we have no opportunity to publicise this at FIIISH and that the details need to be shared with the schools. This will provide an opportunity to look at the objectives identified two years ago and will include the Four Mores and the Five Marks of Mission. There will be a workshop to look at what progress has been made and how we are going to move forward. If anyone has ideas as to what should be included, they should email Fr. Dominic. The meeting will consider outreach and links with the church, barn, pub and outwards. The Mission Action Plan (MAP) will be reviewed. It would be hoped to build greater links with the school too. There is a sign-up list for the vision day in church, and all are encouraged to attend if possible. Flyers have been printed and this has been advertised on the Facebook page.

6. Close of meeting There being no other business, Andy Ironside thanked all for attending. The meeting ended with The Grace at 10.40 am.

Signed.....  Date..... 13 Nov 2024

Chairperson of the meeting

Dates of future Ifield PCC meetings during 2024 / 2025:
All at 7.30pm at St. Margaret's Church:-

Extra date: Vision Morning Saturday 9th November 2024 at 09:30 am.

Wednesday 13th November 2024 – Approve budget for 2025

Monday 27th January 2025 - Agree date for APCM. Confirm Parish fees for 2025

Extra meeting Archdeacon visitation to include meeting with the PCC at 7pm Tuesday 11th February 2025

Wednesday 19th March 2025 - Approve accounts for 2024, Annual PCC Report 2025 and Child Protection / Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Statement 2025.

APCM – April or May 2025 – date yet to be confirmed

Wednesday 18th June 2025

Wednesday 24th September 2025 - Prepare for Budget 2026

Monday 24th November 2025 - Approve budget for 2026