

**PARISH CHURCH OF ST PETER
NEWTON IN MAKERFIELD**

Minutes of PCC Meeting held on Monday, 17th May 2010

Members: (* denotes member present A denotes apologies given)

EX-OFFICIO		ELECTED		TERM
*	Canon J Matthews Rector	A	Mr G Boulton	2011
*	Rev L Montgomery Curate	*	Mr T Abram	2011
*	Mr W Irving Warden	*	Mr M Webster	2011
*	Mr J Higham Warden	*	Miss A Ellam	2011
*	Mr A Waterworth Deputy Warden		vacant	2011
*	Mrs D Matthews Reader	*	Mr G Hutton	2012
*	Mrs A Myers Reader	A	Mr C Tither	2012
*	Mr P Brammeier D S	*	Mrs M Bentley	2012
	Mr GH Stockton D S	*	Mrs I Coulthard	2012
*	Mrs D Hilton D S	A	Mrs S Bowden	2012
*		*	Mr I Henry	2013
		*	Mrs M Miller	2013
		A	Mrs E Edwards	2013
*	Mrs M Tod Treasurer	*	Mrs E Fairhurst	2013
*	Mrs C Tither Secretary	*	Mrs A Wilson	2013

Bill Schafer, the church architect, gave an unexpected presentation regarding the findings from the Quinquennial Inspection. The main issue in the report was the exterior and interior stonework. Mr Schafer explained that the stonework had deteriorated mainly because of incorrect repointing, where mortar had been used instead of lime. He advised that the total cost to rectify would be around £84,000 and therefore PCC need to prioritise jobs to create a rolling programme of repairs.

1. Welcome and Prayers

Reverend Matthews welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially the new PCC members and Alice returning after her accident. She then led prayers and members introduced themselves.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from George Boulton, Colin Tither, Sue Bowden and Eileen Edwards.

3. Minutes of the PCC meeting held on 15th March 2010

The minutes of the meeting held on 15th March were accepted as a true record of events and signed by the chairman.

4. Matters Arising

1. 4.1 Questionnaire to be formulated after course completion.
2. 12 Away Day to be rearranged as the date clashes with Teddy Bears' Picnic.
3. 14.7 Positive feedback regarding the Easter Experience.
Joan expressed her thanks to everyone for their support and prayers following her recent tragedy. She was especially grateful to Alan Heaton for stepping in at extremely short notice.

5. Correspondence

- 1, PCC approved a request from Rebecca Walton's Dance School to use the annexe and grounds for show rehearsals.
2. They also agreed that the annexe facilities and car park could be used for the Craft Fair.
3. A request had also been received from Merseyside Police to use the car park on the morning of 5th June. This was approved.

6. Wardens' Report

The wardens reported that the past few months had been very quiet (thank goodness!). The men's group had been busy erecting an archway to enhance wedding photography.

7. Treasurer's Report

The treasurer reported the current position regarding finances. She advised that income was a cause of concern, especially in light of the amount of money needed to repair stonework. Reverend Joan stated that Autumn sermons would centre around this issue.

8. Finance Committee Representative

Ian Henry agreed to represent the PCC on the Finance Committee.

9. Deanery Synod Representative

William Irving agreed to take on this role.

10. PCC Vacancy

PCC members were requested to consider who from the congregation may be suitable to take up this vacancy.

11. Committees

Reverend Matthews explained the need for these working groups and asked members to consider which of the committees they could contribute to. The groups will be formed at the next meeting.

12. Bishop's Questions

Members who attended the special meeting discussed this issue and the \mission Shaped course will examine ways to serve the community.

13. Team Council

Council met for Bible Study. They also discussed team social events and proposals were put forward for a Family Fun Day in July at St. John's and to have another social evening in the new year. Arrangements for Laura's ordination were also discussed.

14. Meeting Dates

The dates for future meetings were agreed as follows:

- Monday 12th July 2010
- Monday 6th September 2010
- Monday 8th November 2010
- Monday 24th January 2011
- Monday 14th March 2011
- Sunday 17th April 2011 (ACM 11am)
- Monday 16th May 2011

15. Any Other Business

1. Foundation Governor needed for Sptember.
2. It was requested that Trevor Peake is given dates for the magazine.
3. members were asked to consider how Roy Parfrey's load could be lightened.
4. PCC agreed that Mark Webster should explore the possibilities for running an Alpha Course.
5. PCC agreed that some funds should be made available to Elizabeth Crompton for the Flower Festival.

The meeting closed with prayer at 9:10 pm.

Carol Tither (secretary)

Signed:
Chairman

Date:.....