

Brook with Mottistone PCC

Minutes of a Meeting of the PCC held on Thursday 8th October 2015, at Brook Villa, Brook.

Present : Felicity Adams-Young (Chair) Nick Dorley Brown, Rodney Hogg, Didi Nicholson, and Susannah Seely.

1. **Minutes** of the PCC meeting of 30th July 2015 were approved
2. **Hon Treasurer's report:** With the greater part of repair costs being postponed until the New Year, expenditure has been less than budgeted. The projection is for a year-end deficit of around £5,000. Report attached
3. **Approval of Build programme:** The proposed repairs programme (attached) totalling £13,983 was unanimously approved and contractors will be advised of this decision immediately (proposed DN, seconded SS). Work is unlikely to start before January 2016 and will be funded from reserves. Other repairs at Brook church are being deferred pending an appeal for donations for specific repairs to be included in the Autumn Newsletter **RH/MHK**

RH reported that contractors has been instructed to repair the remaining structure of the East gateway at Mottistone thanks to the much appreciated generosity of an anonymous donor).

4. **Warrior Trail publicity:** Responses to the new signs at Mottistone church have been broadly favourable. Visitor numbers are up and more, some gift-aided, donations are being received. A smaller version of the Trail banner targeted at Manor visitors will be installed in the Car Park with National Trust permission. **RH**
5. **Simplified Giving:** Existing Planned Giving arrangements are working well .The option of changing to centralised direct debits was briefly discussed and will be reviewed again in 2016. **NDB**
6. **Sharing Ministry responsibilities.** The meeting agreed the importance of achieving a fairer and more sustainable Ministry workload. Progress recently made in B&M (with the creation of Friends and Readers teams) is also encouraging non-church members to help with non-worship activities. A sub-committee of the PCC will review Gill Bradbury's outline proposals for Brighstone and suggest non-core duties which might be assigned to individual church members and Friends of Brook and Mottistone **SS**
7. **Autumn Newsletter:** it was agreed that consistent news of B&M church progress in the half-yearly Newsletter is the most effective means of building village awareness and support. Details of Brook repair programme, and a brief feature about the good progress being achieved jointly with Judith (Age Concern) will be drafted for the next issue. **FA-Y**

Note: *Judith does attend the First Monday Coffee Mornings at the Seely Hall, but is not involved in their organisation. The Seely Hall Committee has now **invited the PCC to host the monthly Monday Coffee Morning on 1st February 2016-offering possible opportunities for a joint PCC & Age Concern event.***

8. Future Meetings:

Local Church Meeting Sunday 18th October following 6pm service at Mottistone

Tuesday 24th November 1930 (next JPCC), Thursday 4th February 2016 1830 (next PCC)

The possibility of the PCC meeting regularly on another weekday was discussed -but Thursday was the only day available for those members present.