

## Brook with Mottistone PCC

### Minutes of the PCC Meeting of Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2015, held at the Seely Hall, Brook.

Present were

The Rev. Helen O'Sullivan, Guy Acland, Felicity Adams-Young (Chair), Libby Farquhar, Rodney Hogg & Michael Kier.

1. **Minutes** of the PCC meeting of 4<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were approved
2. **Financial Report** The Hon Treasurer confirmed that Parish Share for the 2015 year had been paid to the Diocese in full. The meeting then discussed the proposed fairer basis for calculating Parish Share for the next three years, amounting to a saving of some 10% on the 2015 figure. It was agreed to send the Diocese our confirmation of PCC support. **NDB**

A summary of the financial position was circulated for the year to date (attached).

3. **Repairs Schedule** Quotations for selected Brook and Mottistone works are overdue from contractors. These will be circulated to PCC members before work starts. **MHK**
4. **Joint initiative with the National Trust at Mottistone** Seek permission from NT Officer for installing a permanent sign at Mottistone Manor shop/entrance, mentioning the Seely/Warrior Trail connections, and holding a joint (well-being) event in June 2016 using the planned labyrinth in the manor garden **DN/RH**

5. **Friends Team progress** The new Friends of Mottistone team is working well. Following the successful welcome party at the Old Parsonage, there are now five names on the Mottistone list. At Brook, the Friends continue to make good progress, recently clearing and repairing the underground storeroom. A section of redundant iron railing has been installed for consideration as a possible permanent guardrail for the unprotected steps. A planned working party will carry out a pre-winter clean and clear accumulated items from the Vestry **SS/BW**

6. **Christmas and Easter Services at Brook & Mottistone** In response to a request made at the Brook church meeting, a Christmas morning service will be arranged at Mottistone, format to be confirmed. Helen felt that employing retired clergy, say for an Easter morning service, would not be appropriate but that a local, non-stipendiary minister would be ideal if available. A recording of Helen's sermon can easily be provided-for any service. **HO'S/SS**

7. **Autumn 2015 Newsletter** Topics will include Harvest lunch, new arrangements for home communion, licenced servers: (NDB, LF, MK, SL, DN and Sarah Turvill) and an updated Gifts in Memory wish list, to include: Replacing dilapidated signs at each church with new ones of similar colour and proportions and with C of E and Portsmouth Diocese logos; Installing a darkness- activated light at the Mottistone East entrance and Supplying a hymnbook bookcase/trolley for Mottistone **RH**

8. **Outstanding Faculty works at Mottistone** Obtain quotations for re-siting the front Cheke Chapel pew at the back wall (allowing space for up to 30 stackable chairs). Select suitable armrest seats to be sited in newly available space at the west end (An offer for the pipe organ is expected from Shalfleet PCC). **RH**

9. **JustTextGiving** Investigate option for texting gift-aid eligible donations **RH**