

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, MALDEN
Registered Charity No.1145155
Minutes of the 760th meeting of the Parochial Church Council
At 7.30 p.m. on
Tuesday, July 4th 2023
In the coffee lounge

PRESENT, Rev Michael Roper as chair, Anthony Pullen, Rev Milly Broome, Richard Burkett, Marilyn Burkett, Chris Benson, Barry Eaton, Mike Broome, Stuart Goodden, Fiona Baguley and Lynn Sanger.
Sally Pusey as secretary

		Action
7631	No apologies	
7632	Notice of Essential AOB – Green Energy group	
7633	Minutes of the previous meeting - Amended and signed.	
7634	Actions outstanding from previous minutes -. Actioned on the agenda	
7635	<p>Vicars Report- The Men’s Thing is ready to start on Saturday 12th august with Rev Michael as the speaker. They will meet on the 2nd Saturday of the month in the coffee lounge.</p> <p>-Some copies of the PCC handbook will be purchased and circulated to the PCC.</p> <p>-Volunteers were requested for various roles in church, in a parish mailing, but none has come forward yet. We need to start individually asking people. Sally J and Deborah H will start to look at formatting a skills audit form.</p> <p>-We are still looking at improving the live streaming in church. On average we have about 30 viewers so it is important that we provide a good service. We will try and see if we can bring the camera forward to possibly where the wardens sit to see if that improves the view and picture. Mike B had an email from the Diocese about live streaming and it listed some grant bodies who may be able to help with any costs.</p> <p>-The BBQ went well but there were no young families in attendance. We still need to work on the connections across the generations. We need to encourage people in church to connect with the young families after church during coffee and not just remain in their own friendship groups.</p> <p>-The PCC expressed their thanks to the Riley and Golletz families for all their contributions towards the BBQ. In the future we might organise some children’s activities during the next BBQ to encourage the young families.</p> <p>-In the world we live in today church is often thought as just another leisure activity. We need to work on our fellowship and encouraging people to want to be at St Johns.</p> <p>Our work with young children relies on Margaret and Charlotte and we as a PCC need to own it We need to support and encourage them and it</p>	SJ and DH

	<p>would be great to see what the children have been doing displayed in church.</p> <p>-The PCC is now complete which is great and we need to work on being more dynamic and interesting so that we can get more out of it.</p> <p>-The Maeldune Fair and Patronal festivals were both very enjoyable experiences.</p> <p>Fiona spoke about how nice it would be to see some of the children's work that they did at school displayed at church. To make coffee time a time where the families come together and the children feel held by the church and connection are made.</p>	
7636	<p>Malden Parochial School- A new head has now been appointed and she is a committed Christian. She is looking forward to building great connections with the church. She wants the children to have some activity in church each month. Rev Milly will be going in to school on their first inset day. Michael has talked to Lucy the new head about maybe putting on an art show for parents to come in to church after school to see the children's artwork. Parents will also be encouraged to be part of the school Eucharist.</p> <p>Fiona spoke about different ideas she has for bringing the school and church closer together. Harvest will be a great place to start these new connections.</p> <p>We could have boards in church with artwork from both Malden Parochial and Malden Manor alongside artwork from Children's ministry and Little Fishes.</p> <p>Marilyn and Barry will go in to Malden Parochial to talk about Junior choir at church and information about this could also go in to the school's newsletter.</p> <p>Maybe we could have a pop-up choir from Malden parochial at Harvest.</p> <p>Lucy will need our support going forward.</p>	Marilyn B and BE
7637	<p>Summer Fair- Lynn spoke about the fair saying we had lots of helpers and the weather was good. What was missing was the children e.g. country dancing and the Maypole. Again we would like to link up with the school to encourage the children back to being part of the fair.</p> <p>We need more advertising next year and it would good to think about having a specific summer fair committee to focus on the organising of the fair in the future.</p>	
7638	<p>Finance- Its great news that the stewardship campaign has been successful. Thank you to Fr Michael for his support throughout, his sermon and the Bettys Hamper. We have just over £11,000 in pledge increases, along with 15 new givers. Approximately 30</p>	

	<p>people have now joined PGS. Now we need to make sure the pledges turned in to reality.</p> <p>The finance committee met last week. We now need a new annual schedule. The Diocese want our Parish Support Fund pledge for next year by the 15th September so Alastair has now started work on next year's budget. He hopes to have a draft budget ready in September with the final budget being ready October/November time.</p> <p>The Malden Parochial Leavers' Bibles have been purchased at a cost of £389. We will start an appeal to pay for these.</p> <p>We have had a bill from the architects for just over £13,000 for work on the restoration project. £9,245 will come from the Restoration Fund, which is now empty, and the remaining £3,890 will need to come from the General Fund. Mike B explained that this was for work getting the planning permission from the local council, which should be done by the 3rd August and from the Diocese next week. Some grant money, when it comes in, should cover this bill retrospectively.</p> <p>We will also need to pay £3,600 for the quantity surveyor. We need a QS to advise us on the cost of the various parts of the work. This will help with our grant applications so it's a vital piece of work.</p> <p>There will be further architects costs of £11,000 to get us ready to go out to tender for the package of works. With the QS cost there is approximately another £15,000 to pay.</p> <p>Mike Broome will set out the stages of where we are and costs for the PCC.</p> <p>The PCC agreed to pay the £3,890 out of the General Fund.</p>	<p>MB</p>
<p>7639</p>	<p>Mission Action Plan – To be the sole item to be discussed at the August PCC meeting. Fr Michael handed around a document with MAP ideas and question to think about ahead of the August meeting</p> <p>One question is ~ How to you want St Johns to be remembered in 5, 10.15 years' time? ~</p> <p>The words Jesus, Bible and Prayer are not mentioned in our current MAP. That's something to think about.</p>	<p>All PCC Members</p>
<p>7640</p>	<p>Safeguarding—The Diocesan safeguarding information on the church notice boards is out of date and needs updating asap and a copy of the new information to be sent to Deborah H to update our website.</p>	<p>SP DH</p>

	Margaret B volunteered to be a safeguarding officer who is present at church on Sundays.	
7641	<p>Restoration Project- We need to officially launch the Restoration Project. We need the PCC to communicate this project to the wider community. We will put together a flyer that will explain what we are doing and this will need to be circulated across the parish and the wider community.</p> <p>Also our architect will come and speak to the PCC and congregation.</p> <p>We will also look to visually display the progress of the project. There is a lot of work that the grants committee have done that everyone also needs to be made aware of.</p> <p>It would be great if we could have something visual up by Heritage weekend so we have so many visitors. A small group from the PCC volunteered to work together on the information and to get it out in the community.</p> <p>The 1st phase will concentrate on getting the church water tight and restoring the tower.</p> <p>We need some help communicating with Merton college about the project so they can pass it on to some of their Alumni who may be able to assist us.</p> <p>Tony Pullen volunteered to help make a board with lots of project info on it.</p> <p>The small group of PCC members who volunteered to help will be called The Restore Group.</p> <p>Mike B asked for it to be minuted that he has an old connection with the QS through motorsport but has no interests in his business. The QS was someone that the Architects recommended and it was just coincidence that Mike B knew him.</p>	<p>Restore Group - LS</p> <p>TP</p>
7642	<p>Any Other Business-Green Energy Group</p> <p>The Green Energy Group (Peter Wickenden, Richard Burkett, Geoffrey Little, Chris Benson) was set up initially to consider the Ripple Energy project. Having decided against that, we are now looking at three main issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to heat the church and extension when our existing boilers reach the end of their life (the church boiler is already becoming elderly). • How to minimise our energy costs in the medium to long term. • How to move St John’s to net zero in accordance with CoE policy (i.e. zero carbon footprint). <p>We are researching the possibility of these issues being progressed</p>	

	<p>through one or more of the following projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Installation of electric heating in the church, probably in the form of under pew heaters (heating the people rather than the space) 2. Installation of an air-source heat pump to heat the extension – the fact that it is a relatively modern building (and therefore reasonably well insulated with modern radiators and pipework), and is occupied a significant proportion of the week (therefore lending itself to being kept at a constant temperature) could make this a suitable candidate for this type of heating. 3. Installation of photovoltaic (PV) panels on the (less visible) south side of the nave roof. 4. Improving the thermal performance of the building fabric, for example with better insulation and draught exclusion. <p>On 3 July we visited to St John’s, Waterloo, where a major building project has been carried out incorporating PV panels, provision of pipework to serve heat pumps in the future, heat recovery ventilation and fabric improvements. The visit and our meeting with the Vicar, Revd Giles Goddard, was extremely informative. We plan to visit other churches incorporating the kinds of systems in which we are interested, and seek feedback from others.</p> <p>We will continue to develop ideas and report to the PCC on a regular basis.</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed with Prayer. the next meeting is at 7.30pm on Tuesday 1st August</p>	