St Peter and St Paul, Blandford Forum

Our Mission: Transforming our Community, one life at a time.

Our Vision: Growing and Nurturing Disciples who are confident, Connected and Compassionate.

Minutes of PCC meeting held on 8 February 2018 at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

Present: Revd. Canon Jonathan Triffitt (JT), Revd. Neil Robertson (NR), Dan Roberts (DR), Barbara Curtis (BC), Chris Curtis (CC), Anne Shire (AS), Anita Roberts (AR), Carolyn Telford (CT) and Pat Ellen (PE)

- 1. **Opening Prayer:** JT opened the meeting with a prayer
- 2. **Apologies:** Philip Whitcomb (PW), Heather Stringer (HS), Rodney Smith (RS), Graham Poynter (GP), Clive Newlin (CN), Sophie Crompton (SC) and Sara Loch (SL)
- 3. **Minutes of Last PCC:** The minutes of the PCC meeting held on Thursday 18 January 2018 were agreed and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

- PE had now received the requested document
- JT had been in touch with Bishop Francis and the bank details are now with PW

5. **PCC Priorities for 2018:**

The wording of each priority and its evidence criteria were agreed. JT will inform the congregation after Easter and will link the priorities with the recruitment of new PCC members.

6. Safeguarding:

The new GDPR (General Data Protection) legislation gives individuals more control on how their data is used and takes effect from May 2018.

7. **Reports:**

Financial Report: PW had circulated a proposed budget for 2018.

After due consideration it was felt that there were several questions that PW would need to answer before the budget could be approved so, in his absence, the item was postponed to the March meeting.

Wardens Report: None

Centre Working Group:

• Data breakdown on the how the building is being used would be helpful

Cupola Project:

 HLF application is being completed and will be submitted by post by noon on 2 March

Proposal: In principle, the PCC support the submission of the HLF grant application for major repair to the church roof. *Proposed:* JT, *seconded:* CT, *Agreed:* unanimous

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A secretary may have been recruited.

8. Correspondence:

None

9. **AOB:**

Prayer chain: AR is stepping down from co-ordinating the prayer chain. People requesting prayer should be directed to the office in the first instance and asked if they are happy for their names to be made known to the congregation.

LPA: New people have come forward to consider this aspect of ministry.

Family service: 4.30 on the 4th Sunday of the month. The first one will be on Palm Sunday using Scripture Union 'Explore Together' materials.

Lent Groups: Connect groups will not meet during Lent and everyone is encouraged to attend the Wednesday evening meetings. No alternative will be provided.

- 10. **Next PCC Meeting:** 8th March 2018.
- 11. **Closing Prayer:** JT closed the meeting with prayer at 9.50pm

2018 Meetings:

12th April, 10th May, 14th June, 12th July, 13th September, 11th October, 8th November