

Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the AVC PCC Monday November 7th 2022 7.0pm in St. Mary's Fordingbridge Church Hall.

Serving the Parish of Fordingbridge and Hyde and Breamore and Hale and Woodgreen

Present:

Rev'd Tom Burden (Temp. Chair)	Lynda Warne	Jane Cant	Alex Sains	Julie Francis
Heather Clark (Vice Chair on Rota)	Ruth Crosland	Mary Melbourne		
Nigel Spratt (Temporary Secretary)	John Dowsett	Martin Ings	Ian Newman	
Apologies:				
Julian Simms	Andy Finch	Beverley Judd		

Action

2022-09-01	Welcome and prayer led by Rev'd Tom	
2022-09-02	Apologies for Absence - see above	
2022-09-03	<p>1. Minutes of the meeting held on September 26th</p> <p>a. Accuracy- approved unanimously as a true record on a proposition from Ruth Crosland, seconded by Ian Newman.</p> <p>b. Matters arising not covered elsewhere –</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONFIDENTIAL</p>	
2022-09-04	Declaration of interest Ian Newman declared an interest for items 2022-09-08 (i) and 2022-09-08 (ii) Of these minutes	
2022-09-05	<p>Appointment of new Incumbent:</p> <p>Heather Clark was warmly congratulated and thanked for her work in collating and producing the draft Parish Profile which had been discussed at the last Warden's meeting at which minor changes were made. The document will now be sent to all the LCC's and to Rev'd Canon Charles Stewart who is standing in for the Arch Deacon to help us during the vacancy. A deadline of November 17th was set for comments to be returned. It will then be sent to Bishop Debbie and the Arch Deacon for their approval. It is hoped that the Section 11 meeting with Bishop Debbie will take place in the first week of December so that the post can be advertised in the Christmas edition of the Church Times and newspapers, with a closing date for applications of January 31st 2023. It should then be possible to hold interviews towards the end of February and hopefully, we could see the new incumbent appointed and in post in the summer between May and September 2023.</p>	

<p>2022-09-06</p>	<p>Mission Topics for discussion:</p> <p>i) Outreach initiatives at Parish Level</p> <p>Fordingbridge:</p> <p>Open Doors UK – it is thought that there is an outstanding problem which Pat Bloomfield needs advice from the PCC , to do with some funds which have been raised. The secretary will talk with her and if necessary, it will be on the agenda of the next meeting.</p> <p>There were no referrals to the PCC Hyde, H&WG or Breamore.</p> <p>Breamore: Mary said that a Tea and Chat event is being held on December 7th and residents from Glynn Court are invited.</p> <p>Hale and Woodgreen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Boniface have been approached from the Parish Council to be a warm bank for the village and they have agreed. On Tuesday Mornings between 10.30 to 12 hot drinks will be offered. It is also planned to start a log bank. • Woollen Angels are being made on Saturday mornings in St. Boniface with the intention of flooding the village with them to celebrate Christmas. The Parish Council have agreed that a Nativity Scene can be displayed in the old bus shelter, with a collection box in the pub. <p>Hyde:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council have agreed to distribute Christmas Cards to the whole community. 	
<p>2022-09-07</p>	<p>LCC Minutes: To review action points reported to this meeting by local area reps.</p> <p>Fordingbridge:</p> <p>There were the following items from the Fordingbridge LCC meetings held on 13th October 2022 , and 20th October 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) FB LCC agreed that INN request a reduction of £25,000 in the 2023 CMF figure applied to the AVC Parish b) Update from AVCM. INN and NS met with Kate Wilson and Gemma Hearsom, trustees of the AVCM, on November 3rd <p>They reported that a meeting had been held with the Diocesan Advisor for Social Enterprise. He felt that a Project Manager is required and suggested John Whale but he is taking on another role in the Diocese and may not have time, however he could help to find someone else. It was also suggested that a feasibility study should be carried out and there could be help from the Diocese for that.</p> <p>A sum of £4,500 has been obtained for the Superstars playgroup. INN asked that the AVCM pay for the sheds that have been purchased and erected for circa £1400. This will be discussed at the next trustees meeting.</p> <p>They were delighted when it was said that more involvement is needed with the PCC. The new incumbent will be asked to be chair of the trustees and further representation from the PCC members would be very welcome.</p>	

<p>2022-09-07 (cont)</p>	<p>c) Gift Aid has not been claimed since June 2021. Heather pointed out that in order to claim for the new parish, the registration with the Charity Commission needs to be changed to remove the two old parishes and register as one joint parish.</p> <p>Breamore : None</p> <p>Hale and Woodgreen: See Outreach Initiatives above.</p> <p>Hyde: Martin Ings has been appointed Safeguarding Officer for Hyde parish.</p>	
<p>2022-09-08</p>	<p>Governance:</p> <p>(i) Policy Review: A new Health and Safety policy will be sent to each LCC for comments Under Health and Safety Ian reported that a scaffold tower is to be purchased which any individual parish in the AV Parish will be able to hire with insured personnel should the need arise to carry out High level maintenance. It was agreed that Risk Assessments across all the individual parishes should be reviewed or carried out as required.</p> <p>(ii) Safeguarding: Rev'd Tom reported that he has approached Sarah Newman, who in her role at Breamore school is qualified up to leadership level. She as agreed to become Safeguarding Officer for the AV Parish if the PCC approve her appointment. It was proposed by Heather Clark, seconded by Alex Sains and agreed unanimously that the PCC approve with gratitude the appointment of Sarah Newman as Safeguarding Officer for the whole joint parish of the Avon Valley. Sarah has said, that if she is appointed, she is keen to do any additional training that may be recommended by the Diocese. Tom said he will check to see if anything else is required. She is ready to start immediately. It was suggested that the LCC officers meet with Sarah as soon as possible.</p> <p>(iii) Building Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Quinquennial Inspection at Hyde Church takes place on November 8th 2022. • A consultation on the presence of Bats in Hale church is to take place. <p>(iv) Faculty Applications: Fordingbridge. The faculties for the new Heating System, and the Nave roof replacement are approved. Those for Access, Decorating, Windows, clock and churchyard are yet to be submitted.</p> <p>(v) Finance Update:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Finance – Latest Balance Income/Expenses Sheet for Central Account: - None received. b. Ian reported that the Diocesan Secretary has given us permission to NOT pay up to £30,000 of our combined CIF contribution in 2023. It is up to the PCC to decide the division between parishes. 	<p>Rev'd Tom Burden</p>

	<p>The Council asked for their thanks to Ian and the Diocesan Secretary to be recorded.</p> <p>c. Ian also said that he and Nigel were investigating a possible candidate for Treasurer.</p> <p>(vi) Updates from Deanery Synod – Report from Julian Simms:</p> <p>There was a presentation from Ven Richard Brand, Archdeacon of Winchester on ‘How Clergy Thrive’ with some interesting and challenging discussion. It was recommended that Parishes work with their clergy and consider how parish clergy can be supported. There will be some documents circulated following the meeting and we may wish to consider and discuss these as a PCC. It was suggested that on the appointment of new clergy, clarity of expectations (both ways) was very helpful.</p> <p>An update was provided on the Pastoral Scheme’s and vacancies in the Deanery. The NF Edge (Burley, Bransgore, Hinton and Sopley) and River Mude (Burton and Mudeford schemes were progressing). The Ringwood and St Leonards advert had been placed this week with interviews in early December.</p> <p>There was an update on the Diocesan Vacancy in See process and timescale which was as we had been advised at the last meeting. Michael Minton provided a brief update on the last Diocesan Synod and would be circulating a note which could be distributed. He continued to express some concerns that Synod is not consulted but told about changes. The diocesan accounts had been approved in June and Synod had been informed on the plans to invest proceeds of various house sales to generate income. We were told that there would be two deanery events with Andy Saunders on Children, Youth and Family matters : a ‘pop-up’ on 28th November by Zoom; a workshop at Highcliffe looking at ‘whole family work’.</p> <p>Nothing to report from Diocesan Synod, General Synod or Warden’s Meeting not covered by agenda items.</p>	
2022-08-07	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ian said that Fordingbridge LCC is now also acting as a worship and planning forum. • Tom showed the council a bound copy of Jo Crisenti’s dissertation written as part of her qualification, she has presented it to the Parish. 	
2022-08-08	Date of next meeting Monday 5th December in St. Mary’s Hall	
2022-07-09	The meeting finished at 8.30pm Closing Prayer – led by Mary Melbourne (Hale and Woodgreen next time please)	

