

Précis of the Parochial Church Council Meeting held on

11th July 2013.

At their meeting on 11th July the P.C.C discussed the following items.

Kirklevington Stones. The display of the stones has now been discussed with John Beeley (Stockton Borough Council Heritage Officer). The museum confirmed that the current display of the Kirklevington Stones is strictly temporary. Special wall mountings have been ordered for the permanent display. It was confirmed that the Heritage Lottery Fund has been consulted on the matter and have agreed to the new display arrangements.

Treasurer's Report. This gave an update on the present financial situation.

Reserves Policy. Both of our churches have such policies dating from 2007, although the Kirklevington policy is only in draft form. It was noted that the reserves will need to cover both the yearly spend and repairs. It was agreed that the Treasurer will write a new draft Reserves Policy to be discussed at the next P.C.C. meeting.

Churchwardens Report. Saint Martin's. Permission is still awaited to install stainless steel window protectors for the stained glass windows. Arrangements will now be made to move the altar forward, closer to the chancel arch.

Saint John's closed churchyard. Visits by members of the P.C.C. will take place on July 23rd at 8.30am and August 20th at 2pm.

Social Committee. The 'Last night of the proms' went well and raised a profit. The Kirkfest 'Cream scones and Pimms' event also went well. It received a grant from the Parish Council as well as donations.

Future of All Saints. Richard Ward stated that he is happy to continue as Churchwarden but queried who will take over in future. He argued that the issue is whether Worsall Village wants a church or a Chapel of Ease and that a discussion needs to start soon on the future of All Saints. The question was therefore raised as to what the village wants and needs from the church?

One third of P.C.C. members to stand down each year. This is required by church rules and the list was agreed. However, it was noted that there is nothing to stop members from immediately applying to come back onto the P.C.C.

Freewill Offer. The PCC is required to submit to York the amount of our contribution by 31st July. If churches are not generous then it will limit growth and reduce clergy numbers. Following discussion, it was agreed that we will offer slightly more than York has suggested.

Saint Martin's Facilities Upgrade Project. As Project Leader, Richard Ward gave out a paper detailing the revised costings and the reasons for them. It is envisaged that building work will commence shortly.

Picton Village. It was agreed that further discussion with Picton Village should take place once the Saint Martin's Facilities Upgrade Project has been completed. The matter will then be placed on the Agenda for the next P.C.C. meeting.

Standing Committee: Worsall members. It was agreed that an additional member from Worsall be co-opted onto the committee.

Future P.C.C. meetings.

Tuesday 17th September, at 7pm, at Kirklevington Village Hall.

P.C.C.: Tuesday 3rd December, at 7pm, at Worsall Village Hall.

P.C.C.: Wednesday 29th January, at 7pm, at Kirklevington Village Hall.

P.C.C.: Wednesday 12th March, at 7pm, at Worsall Village Hall.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING: Sunday 6th April.

Tony Hampton, P.C.C. Secretary.