

## CROFT YARPOLE & LUCTON PCC MEETING

### 20 May 2021 at 7.15 pm: St. Leonard's Church

#### *Minutes*

1	<p><b>Welcome</b> , Apologies and Prayers – Chair: Sue Smith Present: Sue Smith; Barbara Nurse; Janet Owens; Jane Higgins; Rose Jenkins; Revd Matthew Burns.</p>
2	<p><b>Discussion:</b> Fundraising &amp; Parish Giving : Lay persons guide to church finances and BMG/PCC relationship – how to progress this Sue has done 2 pie charts demonstrating income and expenditure. Over 50% goes to Parish share and Croft. Ideas: Put it up on path side notice boards, A3 version on noticeboards around the Parish. Should we put on it “No central funding”. Use the Golden giving button on the website.</p>
3	<p>Minutes of previous meeting Council Planning Manager has suggested ASHP would detract from visual image of Church Add those present to previous meeting for them to be approved.</p>
<b>Decisions</b>	
4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Burial Ground Gate opening &amp; Church on Sundays &amp; Benches. There has been local opposition to the locking of the gate at the rear of the Burial ground. There is a legal right of access, We are a no digger churchyard and we want to keep the diggers. Can we keep the church open longer on a Sunday, Barbara to ask Dave Edwards, Duncan Grant if they can lock up later on a Sunday. Benches 2 more and that's enough. WE need to be clear if the bench isn't maintained by the donors then it will be removed when no longer safe. The Humphreys grave we have now had the application form for a grave and want a full ledger which does fit in with the churchyard guidelines. The issue is it going in, stones like that are prone to mower damage and sinking for which we cannot be held responsible.</li> <li>2. Reps to Parish Council (?), Parish Hall committees _Janet Owens and FairTrade : Jane Higgins contact</li> <li>3. Donation for Flower Arrangers – they have asked for £100 last year – donation approved.</li> <li>4. Chancel development progress, payment and next steps. The work has finally started but is to be delayed due to lack of materials. The bill received for the work to reconfigure the pews was felt to be high. The PCC was advised that funds were available. The BMG is running the project. Barbara to share PCC concern with AP on BMG. Sue will talk to Barry to convey the dissatisfaction of the PCC.</li> </ol>

<b><i>Discussions / Information</i></b>	
5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Finding more Church Warden resource – June 5<sup>th</sup> afternoon in the church for volunteers</li> <li>2. Safeguarding : The papers have been sent around. There is a CofE initiative to be more assiduous in our safeguarding duty. There is a new safeguarding policy statement and going to ask for a safeguarding page on community website. There is a new poster for who to contact. Action plan also updated and that will be included in the autumn audit. The phone no for the Womens Aid may be wrong. The policy statement was agreed and other items reported.</li> <li>3. Living in Love and Faith / Deanery &amp; Diocesan Synod elections This is a Cof E initiative to improve its work on marriage, gender and sexuality. There will be a programme local events to explore the issues. Deanery synod members will be sent papers for diocesan synod.</li> <li>4. Mission and Pastoral Care Committee Part of our Deanery responsibility is to be much clearer in promoting the mission of the church in parish life. The committee will be elected in July.</li> <li>5. Community Hub questionnaire and event – afternoon of Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June will be a volunteer recruitment event.</li> <li>6. Churches Count on Nature week 5-13 June and burial ground leaflet</li> <li>7. Carbon Footprint measurement – bit too complicated for us so we are going to leave it for this year.</li> <li>8. Clergy Covenant – outline approach we want to take – Matthew will tell us if he needs help.</li> </ol>
<b><i>Updates</i></b>	
6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Treasurer Report – report sent out, no queries. We have lost a little bit of ground re reserves. Re The Parishioner funds, a surplus fund has built and will be kept in that fund for now. PCC will pay Nicolson's for covering up the organ. Barry has donated cost of the castors to the church. Fundraising on chancel to date, £200 to date plus a pledge for £2000</li> <li>2. Church Warden Report – Barbara Couple of initiatives – a. contested heritage- have we any memorials etc that celebrate the slave trade or the like. And b. Queens Green Canopy – there may be spot in the middle of the burial ground.</li> <li>3. St. Leonards Management update ..is progressing slowly.</li> <li>4. Building update / ASHP /Chancel – in progress</li> <li>5. Croft update Got 2 grants of “20k , Wolfson and cornerstones.</li> <li>6. Safeguarding report – no incidents</li> </ol>
7	<p><b>Correspondence Issues Outstanding &amp; Forthcoming Events</b> Nothing</p>

8	2	Outstanding action list		
		<b>Who</b>	<b>What</b>	<b>Status</b>
		Matthew		
		Richard		
		Barbara		
		Andrew		
		Sue		
		Rose		
		Janet		
		Jane		
9	1	Next Meetings & chair rota  Proposed meeting dates for 2021/2 20 <sup>th</sup> May; 15 <sup>th</sup> July; 16 <sup>th</sup> September: 11 <sup>th</sup> November; <i>Please note change of date</i> 20 <sup>th</sup> January : 17 <sup>th</sup> March		

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays Rota-

30 May (5th Sunday)	Sue Russell
27 June	Nick Read
25 July	Derek Chedzney
22 August	Marion Forrester
25 September	James Forester
24 October	Barbara Nurse
28 November	Rob Walker