

St Mary's District Church Council Minutes * denotes written paper
Tuesday 13th March 2018 8.00pm in the Family Room

	Welcome	
1	<p>Present</p> <p>Father Grant, Nora Lee, Clive Christensen, Kim Brown, Sylvia Keats, Colin Burtwell, Ian Anderson, Tim Crump, Rachael Woods</p> <p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Deborah Rastall, Robert Radley,</p>	
2	Opening bible reading and prayers	
3	<p>Fr. Grant</p> <p>Fr. Grant thanked everyone whose term on DCC and PCC comes to an end with this year's AGM.</p> <p>It was reported there are five vacancies on what will be the new PCC come May and these have been filled although opportunity will be given with the forms out this Sunday for others to put themselves forward if they would like.</p> <p>This would of course mean a vote.</p> <p>It was reported that there will be no elections for PCC as St Mary's is leaving the team and that there is one vacancy on Deanery Synod - Kim and Robert are entering their second year of three.</p> <p>Fr. Grant reported that both church wardens are happy to be re-elected and he is very grateful for this.</p> <p>Fr. Grant reported he was a bit disappointed with the Lent group turnout, only eight in the morning session and four in the evening. Likewise, the other evening events are attracting less than 10. No one from St. James has attended anything.</p>	
4	<p>Hall Update</p> <p>It was reported that the building team met with James Caldwell week before last and talked through the various stages in terms of the plans and Terry Purcey put together quite a significant questionnaire to James about the hall specification, some of which was answered and some he will get back to us on soon.</p> <p>Further to this as soon as the specification is clarified and the team are happy, James Caldwell will draw up the option agreement which will allow us to move forward to the pre-planning application stage and further detailed plans. It is anticipated that by September the current hall will come down.</p>	Fr. Grant

<p>5</p>	<p>MAP</p> <p>Details were confirmed as follows:</p> <p>Saturday 17th March 10.30am at St. Swithens in Purley</p> <p>Begin at 10.30 Session 1 Coffee break Session 2 Lunch Session 3 Eucharist Finish by 3.30pm</p>	<p>Fr. Grant</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Other Reports</p> <p>Churchwardens' report</p> <p>Boiler replacement The heating and boiler quotes were discussed and all agreed to accept the churchwardens' recommendation to commission Cowley to carry out the work to their suggested specification. Proposed by Tim Crump – seconded by Colin Burtwell. All agreed setting up a heating fund would be a good idea to ask for one-off donations.</p> <p>Electrical installation condition report (EICR) The electrical quotes were discussed and all agreed to accept the churchwardens' recommendation to commission P A Henry Ltd to carry out the necessary work. Proposed by Sylvia Keats, seconded by Tim Crump.</p> <p>Fire Extinguishers All agreed happy for churchwardens to organise as they see fit.</p> <p>Thank you DCC thanked the church wardens for all their help with the quotes and for their report.</p> <p>Promised Giving Draft Booklet and New Envelopes It was reported that in the near future St Mary's would need new envelopes as we would be a different parish with a new charity number. Discussion about new logo 'praying hands v dove' it was decided to ask the congregation and a decision would be made in due course.</p> <p>Thank you DCC thanked Tim Crump for all his work on this issue.</p>	<p>Sylvia & Debbie</p> <p>Tim Crump</p>

Financial Statements and Annual Accounts

The latest financial statements were shared and the annual accounts year on year comparison. Clive to amend sign off to Team Vicar of St Marys and Priest in Charge at St James.

Thank you

DCC thanked Clive Christensen for all his hard work.

Clive
Christensen

St Mary's Annual Report

The Annual Report was shared at the meeting and it was highlighted that DCC needed to agree that existing DCC members automatically become members of the new PCC – all agreed. Tim to liaise with Ruth to circulate the annual report more widely.

Thank you

DCC thanked Tim Crump for all his hard work putting the report together.

Tim Crump

St Mary's Electoral roll report

It was reported that Sarah Goaman was standing down as electoral role officer – so there is now a vacancy. Discussion how there would be new forms in due course.

Sanderstead Parochial Church Council

It was reported that the council met on 6 February 2018 - major items to report were as follows:

- St Mary's leaving the team
- St Augustine's mission activity
- Building work at different churches

Tim Crump

Croydon South Deanery Synod

It was reported that with one final push St Mary's was close to obtaining Eco Church status – this needs to be done before the criteria changes in July this year. Events to push us over the line and coming up soon include; turning off lights event 24 March, swop event, litter picking morning, nature trip, speakers.

Thank you

DCC thanked Kim Brown for all her hard work on this project.

Kim Brown

	<p>St Mary's Policies and Procedures</p> <p>The proposed new policies and procedures were shared at the meeting. These need to be approved in May. A number of tweaks were made and reference to the Southwark Diocese templates. It was agreed there should be two separate policies for safeguarding. Tim Crump kindly agreed to proof the policies and make any necessary further amends.</p>	Fr. Grant
9	<p>Minutes of the last meeting of St Mary's DCC, meeting of the 09/01/2018</p> <p>All accepted as a true record of the meeting</p>	
10	<p>Matters not arising elsewhere on agenda (including action points to carry forward)</p> <p>Discussion around Sanderstead Singers using St Marys safeguarding policies – all agreed Sanderstead Singers need to have their own policy.</p>	
11	<p>Any other business - <i>to Rachael in advance by 24 hours before meeting if possible</i></p> <p>All agreed to have a meal together at the first St Mary's PCC meeting on 8/5/2018 – venue tbc.</p> <p>All agreed new dates for PCC meetings and Standing Committee would be the second Tuesday of every other month. Please see below for dates.</p>	

Dates for meetings

PCC

8/5/2018
10/7/2018
11/9/2018
13/11/2018

Standing Committee

10/4/2018
12/6/2018
14/8/2018
9/10/2018
11/12/2018