

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST RC CHURCH

FINANCE AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2017

Present: Ken Chadwick (KC) (Chairman), Fr. John Walsh (JW), Fr. John Paul Evans (JPE), David Ashworth (DA), Bernadette Brumwell (BB), Ian Harrison (IH), John Ireland (JI), Mary Newton (MN), Peter Nutter (PN), Bill Robinson (BR), Jeanette Williams (JeW).

Apologies: Slav Baran (SB), Paul Greenwood (PG).

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30 January 2017 were accepted as a correct record.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the minutes other than those on the agenda.

3. The Hall and Church Maintenance Matters

a) SVP Room - it was reported that there was a considerable depth of water had been found under the floor of this room following the recent heavy rain. It was agreed to obtain a price for a pump to be installed for future use. Also DA had carried out a survey of the work required to bring the room back into proper use and a copy is attached to these minutes. **Action DA**

b) BR reported that he had checked the legal agreement for the lease for Poppy and Jacks Nursery and there was no mention in it of the use of the hall. It was agreed that any future use should be at the normal rate of £10 per hour.

c) MN had checked to ascertain if the Toddler Group, which uses the hall on Tuesday mornings for 3 hours make any payment for this use. It was reported that they only pay £23.50 per month, an arrangement which had apparently been in place for several years. It was agreed that, whilst this is obviously unacceptable, it should be reviewed after the hall has been refurbished in relation to both appropriate and acceptable uses and also the rents to be then charged to all accepted users **Action MN**

d) It was reported that following the problem of the mice infestation Wyre Borough's health inspector had not been able to give the hall kitchen a food standard rating. However, BB reported that the kitchen had now been thoroughly cleaned by volunteers and it was hoped that, when the mice problem had been resolved, a rating would be given.

e) DA reported that in order to prevent dampness on the North facing brick wall of the hall that it should be sealed with Aquaseal. It was agreed that this work should be carried out as soon as possible. **Action DA**

4. Financial Report.

IH reported that the bank balance at the end of February was £60,461. In addition PN reported that the Gift Aid claim had now been paid to the Parish and amounted to £5,604.74 with a further amount of £678.00 for the small contributions.

5. Website

SB had sent an email report on the use of the website and BR had circulated this prior to the meeting.

6. Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will take place on Monday 24 April 2017 at 7.00pm.