

MINUTES OF PARISH PASTORAL MEETING

HELD AT ST THERESA’S ON MONDAY 13th JANUARY 2020

PRESENT: Fr William, Ann McCarthy, Sue Carr, Freda Blundell, Amy O’Donnell, Anne Mosquera, Lawrence Hordley, Carol Galvin, Pauline Rourke, Mike Maxwell and Eileen Irwin.

1. The meeting opened with a prayer.
2. **Apologies:** Fr James, Tom Coyle & Francis Coxhead.
3. RECEIVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 13.11.19

The following amendments were made:- Francis Coxhead not Cox.

Under the “Future of St Columba’s Presbytery” A sentence to be added saying “The pastoral Council were sympathetic to this proposal but a firm proposal would need to be put forward for consideration.

A.O.B. Let Fr William know if you have any future plans for discussion.

The minutes were proposed by Lawrence Hordley and seconded by Pauline Rourke.

It was suggested that only the names of those on the Pastoral Council should be included in the minutes.

	ACTION
<p>4. MATTERS ARISING:</p> <p>i. St Theresa’s Parish centre issues. A meeting has been arranged with the Diocesan Operations manager., a representative of the commercial company and the club manager.</p> <p>ii. Mark Traynor has resigned from the Pastoral Council due to his other commitments. A Thank you to be sent to Mark Traynor and Lynsey White who have previously resigned, for the work they’ve done.</p> <p>As Fr James is away until February Ann McCarthy will contact someone to take the photos then. Ann McCarthy to contact people who haven’t attended meetings to see if they wish to continue.</p> <p>Lawrence confirmed that he has completed his action point.</p> <p>lii Training on use of defibrillator. This went very well, quite a few attended. There is also a session on U tube. The main thing is that you can’t do anything harmful. Sue has arranged for a parishioner to fix the defib in St Theresa’s porch and training for St Theresa’s.</p> <p>Healing Mass: This was held in October at St Theresa’s and one will be held at the 11am Sunday Mass at St Columba’s in the spring. Due to the anointing during Mass Fr William will arrange for more priests to attend. This to be put on the Agenda for the Liturgy group.</p> <p>iii. Healing Mass – already covered</p> <p>iv. Review of members role: Pauline and Ann McCarthy had a discussion with Fr William and the roles were put on the agenda as a reminder. The length of the meeting to be kept an eye on. A copy of the constitution to be sent to each member.</p> <p>v. The Holy Communion and Confirmation Groups do as much as they can to keep the children.</p> <p>Pauline has spoken to the diocese about the surface of the car park and re-surfacing will be carried out after the current building work is finished.</p> <p>Fr William has tried to speak to the person on his action point but has been unable to do so.</p> <p>The property manager at the diocese has been contacted re CCTV for St Columba’s. This is especially important when Carol is lone working.</p> <p>5. Update on Chester pastoral Forum and RCIA matters: There is a meeting next week. If anyone has any topics for discussion at this forum please e mail Maura.</p> <p>6. Written Reports have been received.</p> <p>7. Matters arising from sub-group reports:</p>	<p>Eileen Irwin Ann McCarthy</p> <p>Ann McCarthy</p> <p>Sue</p> <p>Fr William</p> <p>Pauline/Eileen</p>

<p>Written reports. There is an issue with the lighting not working on the new building side. This is a trip hazard. Carol contacted the electrician but due to the building work he could not gain access. Pauline will try to find out when the new lighting will be ready. It was asked if nothing could be done with the lighting could anything be done to make the blocks more visible.</p> <p>St Columba's presbytery – This is to be rented out from the 17th January. The rent money will go into the parish fund held by the Diocese. Let Fr William know if you have ideas on how this money should be spent and put them on the next agenda. Consider what the parish needs as well as other causes.</p> <p>The 200 club has paid for the public add Blacon Churches Together service but it clashes with the catechists information day.</p>	Pauline
<p>Communications: Meetings have been held with Fr James and it is intended that each parish function will have its own page. The parish to have its own e mail address. This entails a lot of work and extra cost for the e mail. If Francis Coxhead is unable to come to the meeting Ann Mc will ask if he could send a report in advance of the meeting. It was asked if an electronic parish diary could be included on the web site - a programme for the whole year to help avoid events clashing. A parishioner helped with the google diary for St Columba's hall, we could look at using this for the parish.</p>	Ann McCarthy
<p>Inclusivity: The broken fence in the car park has been taken down and the surface adjacent to the disabled bays lowered.</p>	
<p>Liturgy: A report was sent. The former rep has resigned and the person who was to take over is ill. At the moment we don't have a representative for Churches Together in Upton. We are hosting the service on Saturday 25th January at 2.30pm. Lawrence to ask the person who used to be the rep if they would take over as a one off. This will be discussed at the next Liturgy meeting.</p>	Lawrence
<p>8. Report from Fr William: Fr William is concerned about Carol being on her own so CCTV will be installed. Carol to sort a letter box for the post.</p>	Carol
<p>9. A.O.B: The dates of the pastoral meetings to be put in the newsletter. Anne Mosquera asked about the Lunch Club. Peter Devine has plans. Ann Mc spoke to him and it was due to start in September but has heard no more. Ann Mc to ask Peter for a report. The Pastoral council should be seen to be empowering people outside the group to carry out something for the parish. The council to support others. The garden at St Columba's will be finished when the building work is completed. David Savage to be asked if he would organise a naming competition for the new office at St Columba's. The Catechist day on Saturday 18 January was supposed to be a parish event but is now a Deanery one. It is important that our members attend in numbers. Thanks to Sue and the other parishioner for overseeing this.</p>	Eileen/Carol Ann McCarthy
<p>St Columba's Hall: This is ticking over but the income has gone down by about £140 per month. A thank you letter to be sent to the two people who have resigned from the committee.</p>	Eileen/ Ann Mc
<p>10. Date of Next meeting: The next meeting is on Tuesday 24th March at 7pm in St Theresa's club.</p>	