



PARISH OF GREAT BERKHAMSTED

Meeting of the Parochial Church Council to be held in the Court House Tuesday 18th
October at 8pm

Attending: Julian Dawson, Mark Grego, Richard Hackworth, Stuart Owen, Tim Hennessey, Alan Conway, Astrid Biddle, Christine Cowie, Peter Matthews, Susan Holmes, Chris Chatterton, Sarah Elder, Hilary Elliott, Oliver Fradgley, Christopher Green, Christine Cowie

MINUTES

1. Prayers
2. Apologies [Tim Hennessey](#)
3. Notification of matters for consideration under Any Other Business
Departure of Jon Lee
4. Approval of Minutes of the PCC Meetings held on 21st June 2022. APPROVED.
5. Matters Arising
6. Standing Committee Reports [A review of risk.](#)
7. Committee/Group Reports
 - Finance RH
 - Energy costs
 - From this month, we have revised energy tariff. (£6,600 all in for last year. Estimated £22,000 for next year)
 - Warm the person, not space (water bottles etc). Encouraging layers / blankets. Still heating church for funerals etc.
 - National Church is offering assistance with costs. RH put in a bid to St Albans diocese. Outcome TBC.
 - Additional cost for heating cost with hire of Court House and Church. RH to bring proposal to next meeting.
 - Question about cold weather damage – damp issues.
 - It's an open conversation throughout the winter. To be kept on agenda for November.
 - Proposal to use legacy fund to bridge the gap.
 - RH to stand down as treasurer at end of 2022.
 - Buildings Committee MG
 - No written report.
 - Spreadsheet w projects vs risks. Waiting on David to supply architect plan which will give an accurate figure for area of the roof. (ready for next meeting)

- Another visit from Mike Smith (electrical) Manual fire alarm for ringing chamber been installed (switch in Catherine Chapel). Lights outside offices, security light in north isle, more sockets in church.
- No RCD consumer unit covering circuits to kitchen – need new units installed. Waiting on quote.
- Pastoral Committee
 - Fr David and Margret Saunders started Pastoral Care Course – 15/20 in attendance.

8. **800th Anniversary**

- Dinner on 28th
- Bishop Alan to bless banner on visit
- Fr Tim coming on Sunday 23rd

9. **Roof Appeal**

- To be bought back to next meeting.
- AC – need to talk about possibility of solar panels.

10. **Eco Church**

- Only category where we aren't silver – energy.
- Looking at practical ways to help with energy rather than changing systems and infrastructure.

11. **Safeguarding**

- HE to resend details of safeguarding training for those who haven't done it.
- Doing training for Pastoral Care sessions

12. **Sidesmen**

- JD has 'tabled' the list

13. **Date of Next Meeting – 15th November**

14. **Any Other Business**

- Jon Lee is leaving. Has provided job description which has been circulated. Remuneration package is being looked at by standing committee.
- Festival of Light on Advent Sunday.

15. **The Grace**