

**All Saints' Church, Brandeston
Parochial Church Council**

Minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2009

Present: The Revd Robin Alderson
Mr Baker
Mrs Baker
Lady Cunliffe
Mr Garratt
Mrs Jeffery
Miss Leach
Mr McArthur
Mrs Matthews
Mrs Molyneux
Mrs Moore

1) There were apologies for absence from Mrs Demetriadi, Mr Drummond and Mrs Woodland.

2) Minutes of the meeting held on 24th November 2008

These were approved.

3) Matters arising from the minutes.

- The Revd Graham Vellacott's correct name for the list of incumbents has not yet been clarified.
- Mrs Hutson does not wish to be PCC representative on the village hall committee. We will ask Lucy Daykin to be our representative if no-one else can go.

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4) Finance

- The provisional figures for 2008 show profits of about £1000.
 - The Fabric Fund has been boosted by almost £3000, mostly from reclaimed VAT, a legacy and a donation.
 - Costs of services include the new hymn books.
 - We have paid our Parish Share in full.
 - Mr Baker presented the budget for 2009. This was set at a minimum of £13000.
 - There will be a short financial report at each meeting.
 - It was agreed that we need to strengthen our links with the Village Hall Committee and that we should ask for help with funds from the village after the next Quinquennial review, if we need it.
- Mr Baker was thanked for his work.

5) Inventory, Terrier and Log Book

The terrier has been checked, the inventory was signed and Chris McArthur will update the log book.

CMc

6) Gift Book

This has not been updated since 2004. Mr Baker will try to bring it up to date. A new white collection bag will be purchased.

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7) Mortuary Chapel

- The cheese and wine party raised £355.
- Mr Garratt and Mr Risk will clear the top end of the churchyard soon. The sheep should return in Spring.

JG

8) Deanery Synod

There was further discussion about the choice of item to be shown at the next deanery meeting. Mrs Woodland will make the final decision.

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9) Fund Raising

- The hall has been booked for the Gardeners' Question Time on March 20th.
- The flower arrangers have been booked for the McArthurs' wedding and Mr Alderson will suggest that they be used for the two weddings on 25th July.
- The Fete is on the 20th June.
- Miss Leach will book the village hall for 5th December for the Christmas Fair.
- Helen Fletcher has suggested producing a recipe book involving as many people from the villager as possible. This would raise the profile of the church in the village. Kelly Jeffery and Christine Matthews offered their help.
- Chris McArthur and John Garratt will produce some more Christmas cards.
- These projects will require advanced publicity.

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10) Pattern of Services

The benefice service at Parham was a great success. The next benefice service is at Kettleburgh on 29th March at 10 am. More work needs to be done to harmonise services throughout the wider benefice and to cut down on rushing between services.

11) Child Protection

The churchwardens signed the form relating to guidelines and procedures for preventing abuse and safeguarding vulnerable members of the congregation.

12) Dates

- 25th February Ash Wednesday service at Marlesford 10am
- 9th April Maundy Thursday service at Brandeston. 7.30pm.
- 15th or 22nd April APCM: Miss Leach to book
- 18th June PCC
- 4th/5th July Suffolk Organ Academy
- 14th September PCC
- 16th November PCC
- 27th September Harvest
- 29th September Organ workshop.
- 3rd October Big clean in Church

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A new key is to be purchased.

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