



## WOODBRIIDGE COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at Lea Church Room at 7.30 pm.

Present: Rev Steve Wilkinson, Chair; Richard Wood, Great Somerford, Roger Sherhod, Brinkworth, Cec Smith, Dauntsey, David Topp, Lea, Robert Gawthrop, Little Somerford, Margaret Lewis and David Briggs, Garsdon.

1. **Opening prayer** was led by Steve Wilkinson.
2. **Apologies** were received from, Mike Graham, Tony Yates, Jane Briggs, Stephen Tuck, Anna Kent, Mark Edwards and Michael Bromley Gardner,
3. **Minutes of last meeting** 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 were agreed and signed.
4. **Matters arising not covered on agenda** – None
5. **Benefice Update** –
  - a. **Armed Forces Benevolent Trust – “There But Not There”** – Roger had very kindly organised the provision of ten Seated Silhouette Soldiers for the Group to commemorate the fallen from the First World War. Parishes are encouraged to think of innovative ways of using these silhouettes and to send in photographs and stories of their use to Roger Sherhod please.
  - b. **THRIVE** – Steve reported that the group would be exploring the possible creation of a “Pub Church”, the latter being an idea from the recent skills survey. Reviewing the Pastoral Care Team, where some fourteen people had expressed an interest in helping. Thanks were also expressed to Sue Seymour for organising the Skittles Evening and the visit to Bow in the Cloud vineyard, both enjoy able events. Sec to write a note of thanks to Sue. In anticipation of the launch of our Mission Area, Worship and Prayers will be organised in the Deanery – the first being at St Giles, Lea on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7.30 pm.

**Action Point 1 SW/ Thrive Team**
  - c. **Reports from Dauntsey and Lea Parishes** –
    - i. **Dauntsey** – Cec reported that the sound system was working well and appreciated by those with hearing difficulties. The provision of the toilet is still ongoing and the PCC had been given £3,000 towards the renewal of the windows, likely to cost some £20,000.
    - ii. **Lea** - David Topp was pleased to report that the PCC had agreed to the refurbishment of the Church Hall – this to include an additional toilet and the resiting of the kitchen.
  - d. **Safeguarding** – no report on this occasion.
  - e. **Group Harvest Supper – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September Brinkworth Village Hall at 5.00 pm.** arrangements for this family social event are going well. There will be a quiz organised by Roger and Gill. Members were reminded to advise congregations to bring their own drinks – tea/coffee and soft drinks will be provided.
6. **Ministry Team** –
  - a. **Spring 2019 Rota** – the first unpopulated version was issued and parishes were asked to check that the planned services were in line with expectations.

**Action Point 2 WGC Representatives**
  - b. **Licensed Lay Ministers** – so far all parishes had agreed to the renewal of LLM Licences being dealt with by WGC.

## 7. Administration –

- a. **General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)** – one or two small points to be finalised by Steve. **Action Point 3 SW**
  - b. **Newcomer Pack** – Suggestion made that the THRIVE group might wish to review this. **Action Point 4 – THRIVE**
  - c. **“PCC Tonight”** – Steve to follow up with each parish. **Action Point 5 SW**
  - d. **Administrator’s Holiday entitlement** – Steve to obtain agreement of Draycot Benefice to the arrangements agreed at our last meeting. **Action Point 6 SW**
  - e. **PAT Testing** – the Secretary thanked everyone for their co-operation in making this run smoothly. Slight increase in cost this year due to the number of items corrected.
  - f. **Parish Share** – majority of PCCs yet to determine their response. Steve encouraged all to pay their asking in full.
  - g. **Woodbridge Group Website** – Steve offered to cost the provision of a more modern system as present one now no longer fit for purpose. **Action Point 7 SW**
8. **Treasurers Report** - The accounts for the eight months to end of August 2018 were noted.
9. **Any other business** - Cec thanked Maggie Topp for all her support in assisting the smooth running of the parish. This was echoed by all those present. Secretary to write a note of appreciation.
10. **Items for future meetings –**
- a. **Parish News / Communications**
  - b. **H R Policies**
  - c. **Parishes Sound Systems**
11. **Date of next meeting – Wednesday 21st November 2018 at 7.30 pm.**
12. **Grace – the meeting closed at 8.50 pm and Grace was said.**

## APPENDIX – ACTION POINTS

1. **THRIVE – SW/ Thrive Team**
2. **SPRING SERVICES ROTA – WGC REPRESENTATIVES**
3. **GDPR – SW**
4. **NEWCOMER PACK – THRIVE**
5. **PCC TONIGHT - SW**
6. **ADMINISTRATOR HOLIDAY ENTITLEMENT – SW to liaise with Draycot Benefice**
7. **WEBSITE - SW**