

### Extra-ordinary Meeting of St Michael's PCC

**Accounts** - the 2012 accounts have been displayed in the foyer, proposed to accept these accounts and present to the annual meeting. Proposed seconded, all agreed.

**Chairman** - in the absence of Colin, an alternative Chairman must be elected. Paul Irving has offered to chair the meeting, proposed seconded all agreed.

### St Michael's Church Annual Parochial Meeting - 3rd March 2013

The meeting began with a DVD presentation about the year, including thanks to everyone who works so hard throughout the year to keep the Church running. We are still focussed on employing a Church and Community Worker and hope to appoint in 2013. Jesus calls us to grow and reach out to bear fruit.

**Apologies** – Marie Edmonds, Colin Snell, Amelia Snell, Ann Goddard, Kathryn Hicks, Nigel Hicks, Sue Reekie

**Minutes of last meeting** - accurate record , proposed Mollie Floyd, seconded Jim Warren. All agreed.

#### **Election of Churchwardens**

Mervyn Deer proposed Juliet Willey, seconded Sue Dunn, all agreed.

Helen Clegg proposed Mervyn Deer, seconded Ann Goddard, all agreed.

#### **Election of Deputy Churchwardens**

Carolyn Nicholls has offered to stand as Deputy Churchwarden. Pam Bailey happy to stand down this year, proposed Helen Childs, seconded Mervyn Deer, all agreed.

John Vittery, proposed Helen Childs, seconded Mervyn Deer, all agreed.

#### **Election of representatives of the laity to PCC**

Helen Childs proposed Ann Goddard, seconded Mervyn Deer, all agreed.

Marie Edmonds proposed Lyn Jones, seconded Joy Jenner, all agreed.

Roger Bailey proposed Pam Bailey, seconded Mollie Floyd, all agreed.

**Election of sidespeople** – current list read out. Helen Childs to come off, no additions. All agreed.

**Electoral Roll** – 118 on the new roll.

Thanks expressed to those who organised the Patronal festival, presented with token of thanks for their efforts, Pam Bailey, Alison Brown, Lyn Jones, also Marjorie Stancer who works incredibly hard throughout the year.

**Accounts** – Ernie expressed thanks to the Finance Team, Carol Lloyd, Cathryn Howse, Barbara White, Vivian Turner and Joy Jenner, and big thanks to Clive Raisey who is our independent examiner.

Proposed to appoint Clive for the next year, proposed Sue Dunn, seconded Hilary Smith, all agreed.

Accounts now available, surplus this year of over £6,000. CGS up, lettings income up, still gave away around £13,000 to charities and good causes. We paid extra Parish Share than budgeted in 2012

and still had a surplus. Main problem with shortfall was that we went up a category before we could afford it in 2007, should have recognised the mistake in 2008. All came right this year with the category guidelines and now cat E which means we can put underpayment right because we can afford it. Looking forward to this year, the Government have new scheme which could mean an extra £1,250 this year with new small donation Gift Aid scheme. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the successful financial situation.

**Premises report** – report is in folder in the foyer, nothing to add. Mervyn has put together a document explaining membership and calculating Parish Share, categories and where our money goes which might be helpful. Also there are 'Understanding Parish Share' booklets from Diocese.

Questions – fund set up for the shortfall not in accounts, what progress has been made? To date there have been donations of £671 as well as agreed overpayment of over £3,000, and all credits from the solar, possibility of a Gift Day. Diocese have stressed to Colin that they are not looking to us to pay it but we have chosen to pay it.

Did we apply for a grant for a Church and Community Worker and Parish Share was brought up at that time? This suggests that Parish Share is not voluntary. At the time we accumulated the shortfall the Diocese had underpayments of about half a million. Diocese have reviewed the procedures and category since then.

How much do we owe now? – £18,000

Roger Bailey commented that we should not be blaming individuals for the situation we are in.

Thanks to those who put time and effort into running the Church, it would have been nice to have an open meeting for discussion and information about the shortfall.

Funding for Church and Community Worker, is grant still available? The PCC turned it down because of the conditions, funding not an issue for the position.

Comment made that it would have been good for Colin to have been here for AGM. The date was decided after the sabbatical planned. CS deferred his sabbatical when we became a parish in 2009. This may well be Paul's last AGM at St Michael's – our thanks and best wishes to him.

**Outgoing Church Officers** – thanks to those coming off PCC, Carolyn Nicholls, Harold Chadwick, Pat Vittery, Mervyn Deer (remaining as Churchwarden).

**End of meeting.**