

LOWER TATHAM MINUTES JUNE 15

ST JAMES THE LESS, TATHAM

Minutes of the PCC Meeting held on 29th June 2015 at the Old Rectory

1. Present: Mrs Linda Kirkby (Chair), Mrs E Atkinson, Mrs V Gardner, Mrs B Harrison, Mrs I Hilton, Mr JR Holt, Mrs P Holt, Mr D Lund, Mr W J Parkinson, Rev'd M Cannon (Part time)

Apologies from: Mr & Mrs Dove, Mrs S Marsden, Mr P Osborne.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting dated 30th March were approved and signed by the chair.. (It was noted that Mrs B Harrison was in attendance).

3. Matters Arising.

Porch Doors still to be sanded.

Action still required on the churchyard extension (Mr Holt)

Water Supply to be agreed with United Utilities. (Mr Holt)

4. Finance:

Current A/C balance £9899.

Roof Repairs cost approx: £8600 less VAT recovery of £1423 leaving approximately £1400 in the current account.

£9000 on deposit with CCLA but this includes a £6000 loan outstanding.

Two Heating repayments have been received of £1547 & £757.

Mr Holt reported that he and Liz had done a rough budget for 2015/16 and we need a further £1500 of income (Jumble Sale & Barbecue?) .

We hold £1946 in the “ school account” for which the Charity Commission have reminded us should be in a separate account! Discussion on the future of this fund and procedure to wind it up, Mr Holt to make enquiry with the Charity Commission.

5. Church maintenance & facilities.

a. Roof Repairs; Proceeding OK.

b. Boiler & Heating. Paul is to check the fuel measuring device. Otherwise operating OK.

c. Organ: Still awaiting Diocesan approval for “ disposal”. We are ready to go with placing the Organ on an Organ website.

d. Kitchen and WC. Much discussion of ideas. Generally agreed that the WC be put in the Vestry area. It was agreed that we should apply now for a faculty for the toilet. We will need plans to submit to the DAC. It was pointed out that if the toilet is treated as a separate project we may be able to recover VAT.

Opinions varied over the siting of a kitchen and it was agreed that we will need to have a further look at the options before proceeding with detailed plans.

e. Remembrance Garden. Agreed that the present location is unsuitable and agreed we look elsewhere on the wall boundaries of the churchyard for a better location. Suggested that “ horizontal” stone/slate plaques would be most suitable.