

CROFT YARPOLE & LUCTON PCC MEETING Minutes

7th September 2024 at 7.15 pm: St Leonards

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1	<p>Welcome & Opening Prayer Chair: William Talbot-Ponsonby Present: Sandra Ewing, Gordon Ewing, Sue Smith, Oliver Ewing, Val Ainsworth, Ruth Elphick, Morwenna Lloyd, Jane Higgins; Oliver Elphick; Richard Fletcher; William Talbot-Ponsonby</p> <p>Also present for 1st item: Gill Humphrey; Lynn Ashton; Sebastian Bowen</p>
2	<p>Discussion: Churchyard Maintenance Plan - see Report Approved to start October 2024</p>
2	<p>Minutes of previous meeting approved</p> <p><i>Outstanding Actions from last meeting</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oliver <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Deanery Coffee morning update. We would need 4+ people to do this plus cakes – for future consideration 2. Jane <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. DBS certification for Oliver b. Refurbishment of Ancients stone inscription 3. Mathew <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Update from Stephen Challoner on Licence to Occupy: SC has not yet heard anything from London. Delays cause lost impetus and increased costs. b. Earl Mortimer liaison update – Action: Matthew to get a date c. Ian Mortimer visit update - - no date yet. There are more modern options to stained glass that we feel could be considered d. Update on discussion re diocesan strategy – still a work in progress. Over 100 people (including Jane) who are getting trained in elements of Ministry. The Bishop proposed we support the Gloucester motion re distribution of finance from central Board of Finance back to the Dioceses. 4. Sue 5. Ruth 6. Sandy 7. Gordon 8. Morwenna 9. Rose <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Rose will investigate getting posters made up in similar format to the explore Christianity format 10. Richard <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Options re finding a new Treasurer. No candidates found yet. Search ongoing 11. David <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Removal of kerbstones and replace with explanatory note. Still ongoing, planned for next month. The notices on the grave were removed but there is now a clear, official notice. Action: David to put up notice re no parking at back of burial ground. 12. All <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Posters working group / Chancel banners – Oliver/Jane/Sandy . A good idea is to have a limited time for any posters. And lights for memorial purposes.

Decisions	
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Motion passed by PCC to support the application for a faculty to install a new shed. Proposed Jane Higgins Seconded Val Ainsworth b. Request re Nina and Nathaniel Wilde from London for burial plot in Burial Ground; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Proposed: David Nightingale Seconded: Jane Higgins Approved c. Parish Offer : PCC proposed to keep the offer to last years level Proposed Richard Fletcher Seconded Jane Higgins d. St. Leonards Community Event to be supported by PCC and Morwenna and Jane will attend the meeting on Monday at Gordon and Sandys House e. The PCC do not wish to invest in a screen, the thinking has always been that our worship should be visible. However we shall procure an A frame from somewhere on which we can put a "Service in Progress" legend for display outside the church at appropriate times . Thanks to Gordon for his research f. Forthcoming events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. a Harvest Festival – we will have ours on the afternoon of the 3rd Sunday in October -the 20th, replacing the Celtic worship or even being a Celtic harvest festival , who knows? We anticipate Matthew will lead it but if he can't William will step in, William will confirm either way. Service will be at 3pm followed by Tea & cake. There will be scarecrow spotting for the kids and Sue will ask a farmer to do a reading. ii. b All souls Saturday 2nd November. The book will be put out on the bier and again we shall invite people to stick pictures of those they have loved and lost on the hanging board by the bier. 4pm period of quiet reflection, led by? iii. c Remembrance Day 10th November Service at yarpole. Monday 11th invite people to join us at the War memorial for a 2 min silence and reading of the names. No wreath iv. d Christmas Tree – I have emailed Martin and Barbara Flaherty and yes they will decorate and yes they have the tree hostage at their house v. e 9 lessons and carols – 15th December 3pm with 3 contributions from the Birchpoles for which we will re-imburse them on a 60/40 basis vi. f Croft Carol service – suggest we hold this the firkst night of the light display if they are doing it. Ollie and jane will talk to croft about dates/times and also getting notice boards up vii. g Carol Singing round the village and then the pub Weds 18th December 5pm – Rose will lead this viii. h Carols Round the Tree Christmas Eve 4pm – Sue ix. i Encourage donations of festive food to the Food Bank x. j Sunday 22nd – 4th Sunday no plans in place but Jane is willing to lead this g. Next year think of planning the Crib festival earlier – Rose has booked the church for 3 days Friday 28th November till 6pm on Sunday 30th l Christianity Explored – William will ask Phillippa if she has made a course choice m Celtic worship on 3rd Sunday will move to 3pm from October. We need to confirm Matthew will continue to run this
Discussions	
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Priory Team Coffee Morning – no takers
Updates	
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Burial Ground <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Kerbstones removed, no comeback ii. We need to track down the folder of reservations which the Office cant seem locate at this time. William to ask Matthew if he has it. Failing that Rose and david will have to work through the cupboard iii. Hydrangeas have been planted in the ground contrary to burial ground regulations, these need to be removed and repotted

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Treasurer Report – attached. Confirmed that Parishioner monies held in reserved account 3. Church warden report – Croft floor continues to be an issue – a raised wooden floor may be a longer term solution whilst straw matting may be a shorter term option. Mens shed can't help with this or repair of the bench in the Garden of remembrance 4. SLM update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Notice update, PCC would like to be kept aware of notice plans but have no skills to offer here ii. Old Chairs, Ollie will take good folding chairs up to croft iii. No discussion re money for repairs to Chancel walls, - maybe next time discuss whether we could use some of this for banners and other promotional material iv. Safeguarding policy to be reviewed by Val and Jane but a copy of current policy will be delivered to Gordon v. Tree behind church – lopping approved but first need to get planning application done which will be October now, as it is in Conservation area. 5. Birchpoles for Christmas 15th December and format yet to be decided between Matthew and Andrew, suggested 3 carols max. 								
7	Any Other Business Correspondence & Forthcoming Events None 1.								
8	Other Items of Interest								
9	Notification of Forthcoming meetings/ events PCC Meetings 2024/5: Nov 7 th : Jan 16 th : March: 6 th 4th Sundays <table border="1" data-bbox="240 1227 1294 1364"> <tr> <td>September 22</td> <td>Eye Church joint Service</td> </tr> <tr> <td>October 27</td> <td>Marion Forrester</td> </tr> <tr> <td>November 24</td> <td>Rob Walker</td> </tr> <tr> <td>December 22</td> <td>none</td> </tr> </table> Be Still (1st Weds in the month 5.30-6pm) 2 nd Oct – Oliver 13 th Nov – Rose 4 th Dec – Sandy	September 22	Eye Church joint Service	October 27	Marion Forrester	November 24	Rob Walker	December 22	none
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