

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL

VIA ZOOM, 7pm TUESDAY 8th JUNE 2021

1. WELCOME

Present: Craig D'Alton (Vicar)
Christine French (Warden)
Sarah Benfield (Warden)
Sandra Ivory (Warden)
Simon Barrie (Treasurer)
Brian Hauser (Secretary)
Judith Armstrong
Mandy Burritt
Garry McCarthy

In attendance: Emily Fraser (Assoc. Priest)

Apology: Jack Lindsay

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the previous Parish Council meeting held on 11 May 2021 are a true and correct record of the matters discussed.

Moved: Sarah B, seconded: Judith A. PASSED

3. MATTERS ARISING

- None

4. VICAR'S REPORT

The report was circulated prior to the meeting and discussed by Parish Council.

Craig D noted that the Diocesan Child Safe protocols have still not been finalised and need to be chased up with the Registrar.

ACTION: Craig D

The CCGS Founders Day service proved to be very successful given the COVID related constraints. Craig D noted that both parish and school are planning for this to become a regular event in the annual calendar.

The Eastertide Evensongs were well received but Craig D noted that it is quite challenging to maintain momentum during the winter months and that the service would be kept for special short periods.

Craig D updated the PC on the approach agreed regarding the planned Parish Meeting for Sunday 6 June. The recent lock-down has resulted in a series of four detailed contributions in the pew sheet over four weeks to provide the parish with context. It is hoped the meeting may be held later in the year once the requirement for wearing masks indoors has been lifted. PC agreed with this approach and noted that a few comments from the first pew sheet entry on Sunday had been made to Wardens regarding costs.

5. WARDEN'S REPORTS

The report was circulated prior to the meeting and discussed by Parish Council with the following agreed:

Flagpole Repaired

Pews

- The pews that are in poor condition (following their removal from the rear of the church and re-organisation) will either be repaired or the timber retained for future use.
- The flooring beneath the pews is reported to be in good condition.

Toilet Conversion Project

- The quotes received to date are all above budget. Awaiting a further quote to ensure a competitive price.

Flower Vestry

- There may be a need to transform this space to manage the risks associated with water and potential fire. Wardens confirmed they are assessing this with potential designs and cost options.

6. TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer presented the accounts 8 months to May’21 noting the following:

- Income is \$10,690 (3%) below budget YTD.
- Expenses are \$32,285 (10%) above budget YTD.
- Net loss is \$17,648 to a \$24,519 budgeted profit.

Simon B reported that there remain some unresolved matters that we are still addressing with the current accounts, that won’t be reflected until June. Some expenditure needs to be removed from CCSY’s accounts and there is an outstanding payroll reconciliation that needs to be completed.

Simon B noted that while a deficit is recorded for the year to date, this is principally driven by capital expenditure to property. He noted Open Plate and Planned Giving income both decreased in April and May.

Mandy B noted the mission giving was yet to be allocated. PC agreed to the Wardens presenting a proposal at the next meeting for the allocation of mission giving.

ACTION: Wardens

Christine F asked for clarification on the other income amount. Simon B advised this is largely from JobKeeper.

The Treasurer’s report was approved.

Moved: Simon B, Seconded: Judith A. PASSED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Craig D led a reflection on Parish Identity noting some historical similarities with comments made at the 1978 AGM. CCSY’s core DNA has been described as inclusive, liberal, and Anglo-Catholic. However, these are yet to be tested and owned by the parish. It was suggested that some education and small group discussions regarding the re-formation of a CCSY Parish Identity might be useful to help guide the parish as it re-emerges into a post-pandemic Melbourne.

8. NEXT MEETING

The following dates for meetings were agreed:

Date	Time	
Tue 13 July’21	7pm	PC Meeting (in person)
Tue 10 Aug’21	7pm	PC Meeting (in person)
Tue 14 Sep’21	7pm	PC Meeting (in person)
Tue 12 Oct’21	7pm	PC Meeting (in person)

The meeting closed with the grace at **8:30 pm**