

MEETING OF MUCH MARCLE WITH YATTON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Tuesday 28th July 2015, 7.30pm, at All Saints, Yatton

Minutes

1. Opening Prayers

2. **Present:** Rev Howard Mayell (Chair), Janet Chapman (Vice Chairman), John Chapman (Churchwarden Much Marcle), Chris Oulton (Churchwarden Yatton, acting Secretary), John Reed (Churchwarden Yatton), Richard Brooks (Churchwarden Much Marcle), Andrew Paxton (Treasurer), Andrew Bentley-Taylor, Angela Putley, Helen Thomas, Roger Bateson, Liz Preece, Kay Cotton (left after Item 4), Janey Cotton (Safeguarding Officer – attended for item 6 only)

3. **Apologies for Absence:** Sara-Jane Berry, Hilary Underwood (LLMR), Chris Watkin & Adam Cale.

4. Neighbourhood Planning Group (NPG)

The PCC was invited to comment on a set of questions, previously circulated, (copy attached). Kay Cotton noted the comments, which she will report back to the Neighbourhood Planning Group. Kay left the meeting after this discussion to attend the NPG meeting. Key points discussed were:

- Could more use be made of the church by the community?
- NPG has no funding so free use of the church is helpful for meetings. The PCC agreed it is content to allow continued use by NPG provided there is no clash with other bookings. Richard pointed out that we have an undertaking not to compete with the Village Hall for business. Howard proposed that, as a special case, we allow NPG to use the church for meetings. Seconded by Ann Jordan, the motion was passed 11 for 1 against and 1 abstention.
- Howard announced the intention to run a non profit making coffee morning once a month in St Bartholomew's church.
- The importance of attracting families to the village.
- Sites for housing – particularly affordable housing for families is required.
- It was felt to be desirable that we have a vicarage in the village (see also Item 11 on restructuring)

5. Minutes of last meeting (*attached*)

4.1 *Approval of the minutes of meeting held 2nd June 2015* – the minutes were approved as an accurate record and were duly signed by the Chair

Outstanding action for this meeting not covered elsewhere in the agenda)

4.2 *Bell Tower Report (Adam Cale)*- was not able to be present so this item will be moved to the next meeting, where it should be a substantive item. (Action: Sara-Jane)