

Benefice of Eynsford with Farningham and Lullingstone

Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting of the Benefice Council Held on 8th March 2011

The meeting began at 7.00pm with Rev Gary Owen chairing. 50 people were present.

- 1 Bible Reading and Prayer
Gary read John 17: 20 and a Collect for Mission and Evangelism of the Church.
- 2 Apologies for Absence
Apologies from Vikki Saunders, Hugh Darrington and Neville Brown.
- 3 Previous Minutes
Proposed by Brian Mason, seconded by Stella Baggaley and all were in favour.
Accepted as a true record.
- 4 Matters Arising
None.
- 5 Financial Report
Brian Mason (Treasurer) explained that everything applies as of last year except for monetary amounts. The Benefice account is, in practice, a 'post-box' for receipts and expenditure of the Benefice on behalf of the 3 PCCs.
Copies of the Report will be given to the three PCC Treasurers. Please see one of them for a more detailed breakdown of figures.
- 6 Appointment of Independent Examiner
Kevin Havard has indicated his willingness to continue to act as Independent Examiner for the forthcoming year. Brian Mason proposed acceptance, Frank Rogers seconded the proposal and all were in favour.
- 7 Rector's Report
A report (Appendix A) written by Gary was had been distributed and Gary read it.
- 8 AOB
Philip McGarvey expressed thanks to the Stewardship Pack Co-ordinators for all their work.
Margery Robinson commented that as well as a new Social Committee being needed we need to get out into village groups. She pointed out that the projector was a good asset to have but information on the screen sometimes needs to be clearer.
Gary is aware of this.
Joanna Comer proposed that the revised Benefice Council Constitution be accepted, Alan Gillott seconded the proposal and all were in favour.
- 9 Date of next AGM
Tuesday 21st February 2012 has been provisionally booked.

The meeting ended at 7.35pm with the Grace.