

**OUR LADY OF PEACE AND BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday 10 May 2007
in the Lady Chapel
7.30 pm to 10.00 pm**

Present: John Allinson, Paul Fahey, Fr Anthony Ikhenoba , Laurie James , John O'Neill, Ann-Marie Paterson, Mary Wells, Pat Wells (Chair)

Apologies: Colin Forrestal, Peter Hobbs, Jack Noronha, Norman Preston Gabrielle Williamson (Part)

A1 Opening Prayer

John O'N and Pat led our opening prayer and reflection

A4 Minutes of previous meeting

Accepted.

A5 Matters Arising

(ref A5/9) Paul and Martin have attended to the fitting of an appropriate lock. We have agreed where the keys will be kept.

(ref A10-club smoking shelter) This task is completed

(ref A11- feedback from parish groups) This task is still to receive attention. **Pat**

(ref A12 - Vision) Ann-Marie has accumulated material on this

(ref A14- Diocese's 125th birthday) Jack is going to Portsmouth.

Laurie and Maggie will go to Winchester. Ann-Marie will go to Portsmouth, and will take Fr Anthony.

(ref A15- Fr Terry) John O'N and Colin have been looking at ways of supporting Fr Terry in Indonesia, and will be speaking to the Parish after Mass on 20 May. **John O'N**

(ref A15- The Well Centre)We have agreed that The Well Centre will be discussed at our next meeting.

A6 Liturgy Meeting

Deferred.

A7 Church Sign

We agreed the design to be used, including the car park arrow.

A8 Fencing

Some of the material for the fencing has arrived ready for work to be commenced by the Explorers on Friday 18th May.

A11 Patio Area

Jane will ask the gardeners to come on a day when she is in the office. They will be asked to attend to the patio and quote for cutting the grass and maintaining the borders in the priest's garden.

A9 Neighbours' Party

A meeting has been arranged to plan this event. It will be announced at Mass on Sunday, and the fact that this is part of our 'Regenerate' work will be emphasised.

A10 Pentecost Celebration

John A

We have decided to decorate the church with national flags, to have bidding prayers in foreign languages at the 11.00 am Mass, and to have a bring and share international meal.

Ann Woolley will be approached regarding the flags; John A will coordinate the bidding prayers.

Announcements will be made at Mass and information will be put in the newsletter. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the Advent Room.

There will be a Vigil Mass at 7.00 pm, n details will be in the newsletter.

A12 Vision for the Future

Pat will be discussing this with Peter.

A13 Back to Church Sunday

We agree that we will be associated with this project again next year, on September 30th. Helena will be asked to look at the list of resources and follow through if necessary, including expenditure up to £250.

A14 Scouting Banner

We agree to the display of the banner in the Advent Room.

A15 CCS Representation

We agree that it is probably more appropriate to have a Pastoral Area rep than a parish rep. We will ask at the forthcoming Pastoral area meeting if other parishes are represented.

Pat

A16 AOB

John O'N will arrange for **Finance Committee** minutes to be circulated.

We have a credit balance of £10,000.

Alan Pollard is standing down on 31 August, having been treasurer and gift aid organiser for many years. We are truly indebted to Alan for his unstinting service to the parish, and we are indeed grateful to a number of people for serving the parish in other ways for long periods. We note that a gradual computerisation of the accounts will be unimplemented.

We intend to promote even more vigorously the gift aid scheme.

We have received guidelines about the **no smoking legislation**. John O'N will seek clarification about the mandatory nature of the notices.

John O'N

Pat has distributed a document describing the purpose and functions of the **Parish Pastoral Council**.

We have discussed ways of circumventing lengthy e-mail consultations. We wonder if Colin can help us set up a **discussion forum, and/or a section of the website with private access**.

Paul has reported on **Eucharistic Minister commissioning**. Jack has procured two rites – one for commissioning and one for renewal. We need to identify a date and we will need to confer with Jack and Fr Anthony.

We note that the **insurance document** does not give detailed stipulations about the locking of the premises.

Our **next meeting** is Thursday 14 June. We have decided not to meet in August.

We re-confirm our support for '**Angels**'. There will be an item in the newsletter about this venture, including a mention of the need to finance it.

Ken Jordan has attended a day of recollection at Douai Abbey and he recommends attendance to anyone involved in any form of ministry. The Parish will normally be able to pay for any fees involved. WE agree to have this recommendation published in a future newsletter.

We agree that we should look into the possibility of organising a trip for our altar servers, and we will be keen to hear more of the Christ the King initiative.