BURY PARISH CHURCH

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PCC HELD ON TUESDAY MARCH 17TH IN THE KAY ROOM**

**Present:** Diana Hampson in the chair

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| Graeme Bigg | Eric Duckworth | Keith Sedman | Peter Tewmple | Pat Uden |
| Derek Calrow | Preston Hulse | Pat Sedman | Roger Thompson | Lawrence Yarwood |
| Steve Clark | Flo Leeming |  | Owen Thomas | Rhiannon Jones |
| Terry Clarke | Nigel Rushworth | Marilyn Smith | John Uden |  |
| The Rector |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Jean Sutcliffe |

**Apologies were received from:**

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| Ken Bowden | Chris Hughes | Sarah Temple | Pat Webber | Amy Webber |
| John Ankers | Hilary Ankers | Susan Sugden | Caroline Wardle | Keith Smith |
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**Rev Rhiannon opened the meeting** with prayers.

**The minutes of the meeting** held on February 17th had been previously circulated. There was one amendment in that the group which considered the submission for the Diocesan Grant included Pat Uden. The minutes were then accepted as a true and correct record.

**Exclusions:** there are no exclusions from these minutes

**Matters arising:**

* We have received an e mail from the Hobhouse Trust awarding a grant of £2000 towards the kitchen refurbishment
* A cheque for £1000 has also been received to support the Choir School

**Correspondence:** none

**Treasurer’s report:** the accounts had been circulated at the previous PCC meeting to give members the chance to consider them. Following questions to the Treasurer the accounts were adopted by the PCC

**Committee reports**  there were no committee reports because of the OLM discussion

**Health and Safety** Owen reported that the H and S Policy has been refreshed and will form part of the report to the APCM. It was suggested that guidance needs to be given to sidesmen assisting people up and down the chancel steps and Owen will prepare this for the new rota of sidesmen.

**Rhiannon’s notices** Rhiannon said she would like to thank everybody very much for all their help and support over the past six weeks.

**Additional agenda items:**

1. Rhiannon introduced Rhyse Cathcart from the **Early Break Charity** who gave a very interesting talk about its work which left members with much food for thought. He is willing to visit us again sometime in the future.

**OLM REPORT DISCUSSION** with Stephen Tranter, Rev Ralph Mallinson and Christine Radford

* A presentation was given by Marilyn Smith, Peter Temple, Pat Sedman and Rhiannon describing the Parish Audit and the need for an OPLM
* Following the presentation questions were asked by the visiting panel and a general discussion took place about the positives and negatives of our Church and Church life
* The panel thanked the presenters and the PCC for their work in preparing the OLM submission and said they had found the documents and visit very interesting
* The panel advised that they would consider the submission and we would be advised of the outcome very soon
* The panel were thanked for their time and attendance at the meeting

**A O B**

A course on interpreting your church building is to be held at Manchester Cathedral on April 30th at a cost of £40. The aims of the course are to help to explain the church to visitors and add to their experience. It was felt that it would be useful for someone to attend and John Uden agreed to do this

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:49pm**