ST BRENDAN'S PARISH FORUM MEETING No 4.

22nd September 2008

PRESENT: Father M Cooke (Chair) [FrMC]

Tony Proctor (Secretary) [TP]

Kath Brown [KB]
Catherine Bridge [CB]
Martin Cleary [MC]

Susan Connaughton [SCo]
Maureen Connaughton [MCo]

Keith Hamilton [KH] Stan Horrocks [SH] Bert Hustwit [BH] Lisa Lamoury [LL] Joanne Livesey [JL] Rita Livesey [RL]

Marie Kwiatkowski [MK] Julie McLoughlin [JM] Margaret O'Brien [MO'B]

Chris Owen [CO]
Pat Partington [PT]
Tom Rabbitt [TR]
Irene Sheridan [IS],
Terry Smith [TS]
Anne Walsh [AW]
Mr & Mrs H Winstanley

Apologies

Peter Carolan [PC]

No Item ACTION

1. <u>Introduction</u>

FrMC opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

2. Minutes of Meeting of 23nd June 2008

The minutes were approved

3. Matters Arising

Matters arising are contained in the attached Action Summary.

No Item ACTION

4. <u>Action Summary</u>

The Action Summary was reviewed and updated.

5. Property Update

FrMC updated the meeting on progress and that Mgr Bulfin & Mr Ed Nally had now carried out a site visit to inform deliberations.

The following were noted:-

 Deeds had been accessed & registered at Land Registry

- There were concerns over maintaining access to site.
- Security of the site was a concern
- Condition survey reports for electrical installation & heating were awaited, but verbal reports indicated heating system was at the end of its working life.
- 2 alternative heating solutions were under consideration, including a replacement boiler; or wall mounted gas heaters and a combi (hot water & heating system). This latter option offered benefits of energy efficiency and releasing the existing boiler room space.
- Meeting Room Space The Diocesan Board did not favour extending the building footprint and options to re-model the sacristy, boiler room & storage areas were discussed.
- House Some forum members expressed the view that the house should still be considered for a meeting room for parish or community use, or for letting to a tenant. The meeting noted that there were significant reservations about the condition of the house; and legal compliance, liability and management issues associated with both the letting and meeting room options.
- Meeting Room Given the discussion about the meeting room requirements, Keith Hamilton kindly offered to develop options for a future meeting.

The Diocesan Board of Administration were due to meet in early October and FrMC would report back at the next meeting.

All to Note

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FrMC

No	<u>Item</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
6.	<u>Car Park</u>	
	KH presented a plan which had been developed with SH & LL and Bolton MBC planners. Constructive meetings had also been held with local councillors. Next steps required included:-	
	 Discussion with Bolton MBC Highways Confirmation re drainage requirements Obtaining approval in principle from the Diocese 	SH/LL/KH
7.	Parish Census	
	FrMC introduced a proposal for a parish census and it was agreed to proceed as soon as possible.	FrMC
8.	Fund Raising & Social Committee	
	TS updated the meeting on planned events as follows:-	
	 Sunday 16th November – Harmony & song event Sunday 21st December – Christmas Evening Friday 23rd January 2009 – New Year Parish Social Event 	TS
9.	Fr Cooke's Silver Jubilee	
	FrMC confirmed that this would be on Friday 7 th November 2008 and would be held at Thornleigh Chapel.	All to Note
10.	DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS	
	7pm on Monday 20th October and Monday 17th November 2008 at St Brendan's RC Church.	All to Note
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