

## ST BRENDAN'S PARISH FORUM MEETING No 7.

19<sup>th</sup> January 2009

**PRESENT :** Father M Cooke (Chair) [FrMC]  
Tony Proctor (Secretary) [TP]  
Kath Brown [KB]  
Catherine Bridge [CB]  
Peter Carolan [PC]  
John Carr [JC]  
Martin Cleary [MC]  
Sue Cleary [SC]  
Keith Hamilton [KH]  
Bert Hustwit [BH]  
Lisa Lamoury [LL]  
Marie Lamoury [ML]  
Peter Lamoury [PL]  
Pam Marshall [PM]  
Pat Partington [PP]  
Rita Livesey [RL]  
Julie McLoughlin [JM]  
Chris Owen [CO]  
Irene Sheridan [IS],  
Terry Smith [TS]  
Anne Walsh [AW]

### Apologies

Stan Horrocks [SH]  
Joanne Livesey [JL]  
Marie Kwiatkowski [MK]  
Kathryn Wilkinson [KW]

<u>No</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
1.	<u>Introduction</u> FrMC opened the meeting and welcomed those present.	
2.	<u>Minutes of Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> November 2008</u> The minutes were approved.	
3.	<u>Matters Arising</u> None.	

<u>No</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
4.	<u>Action Summary</u>  The Action Summary was reviewed and updated as follows:-  Item 21 – Meeting Room Options – was the main business of the meeting.	
5.	<u>Property Update</u>  (a) <u>House.</u>  FrMC updated the meeting about the recent & extensive flood damage to the House and thanked those parishioners who had given their time to assist in the recovery operations. It was agreed that professional advice would now need be taken about the viability and future of the House, given its age & condition.  (b) <u>Meeting Room Options</u>  FrMC invited Peter Lamoury and Keith Hamilton to present costed options and a programme of works to provide a meeting facility in the following areas:-  1. The existing Sacristy area. 2. The Choir Loft. 3. The House.  Following extensive discussion the consensus was that Option 1, the conversion of the Sacristy, was the preferred option, on grounds of affordability and estimated timescales, with the House being the least supported or preferable option.  FrMC thanked Keith and Peter for their work to date which was much appreciated.  (c) <u>Heating Options</u>  FrMC advised that Harwood Heating had been invited to propose solutions to heat the Church and, ideally, separately, the proposed meeting room area. Estimates are awaited.  (d) <u>Other Property Matters</u>	FrMC
	The meeting was also updated on modifications to improve access to the Car Park (the Diocese having advised that it was not inclined to support a major extension of the car park) and the installation of a new land drain to the rear of the Church.	All to note.

<u>No</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
	(e) <u>Next Steps</u>	
	FrMC will now put to the Board of Administration a proposal to proceed with Option 1 – the conversion of the existing Sacristy; a replacement of the heating system; and a rolling programme of property improvement priorities.	FrMC
6.	<u>Any Other Business</u>	
	(a). Piety Stall	
	Irene Sheridan and Kath Brown reported positive progress with the piety stall and asked that thanks be recorded to Father Byrne and Jackie Sweeney of St Thomas of Canterbury for their valuable support and advice.	All to note.
	(b) Fund Raising & Social Committee Update	
	Terry Smith updated the Forum on the successful Christmas Evening which had raised £236 for the Parish, and the receipt of a kind donation of £100 from St John’s Social Committee.	All to note.
	FrMC again asked that consideration be given to closer working between the Social Committees of both St Brendan’s and Saint John’s.	
7.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	7pm on Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2009 at St Brendan’s RC Church.	All to note.