

ST BRENDAN'S PARISH FORUM MEETING No 3.

23rd June 2008

PRESENT : Father M Cooke (Chair) [FrMC]
Tony Proctor (Secretary) [TP]
Kath Brown [KB]
Catherine Bridge [CB]
John Carr [JC]
Martin Cleary [MC]
Sue Cleary [SC],
Susan Connaughton [SCo]
Maureen Connaughton [MCo]
Claire Corser [CC]
George Denton [GD]
Stan Horrocks [SH]
Bert Hustwit [BH]
Lisa Lamoury [LL]
Joanne Livesey [JL]
Rita Livesey [RL]
Julie McLoughlin [JM]
Chris Owen [CO]
Tom Rabbitt [TR]
Irene Sheridan [IS],
Terry Smith [TS]
Anne Walsh [AW]

Apologies

Kath Denton [KD], Peter Carolan [PC]

<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 28th April 2008</u> The minutes were approved	
3.	<u>Matters Arising</u> Matters arising are contained in the attached Action Summary.	

<u>No</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
4.	<p><u>Action Summary</u></p> <p>The Action Summary was reviewed and updated.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Property Survey Update</u></p> <p>FrMC updated the meeting on progress. He had had dialogue with Mgr Bulfin from the Diocesan Board of Administration which had considered the condition survey report on the Church & Presbytery at its May meeting.</p> <p>The Board had asked for further information, including: the overall footprint of the site; a professional survey of the heating system and electrical installation; and confirmation about the number of people attending Mass on Sundays. FrMC informed the meeting that Mgr Bulfin & Mr Ed Nally were going to carry out a site visit to inform deliberations.</p> <p>The meeting wanted to send a clear message to the Diocesan Board of Administration that the church was full on Sundays and that there was a strong commitment for St Brendan's to be a thriving parish. The meeting also re-stated that it would be the wish of the parishioners that any proposals should include an appropriately sized meeting room and asked again that the alteration of the house be considered as an option to provide a meeting room.</p>	<p>All to Note</p> <p>All to note</p> <p>FrMC</p>
6.	<p><u>Car Park</u></p> <p>TP advised that a site meeting would be held on Tuesday 8th July with local councillors to discuss the possible extension of the car park. Tom Rabbit confirmed that he would also attend with the Head of St Brendan's School. Stan Horrocks had developed a plan to improve parking & he would also attend the meeting.</p>	<p>TP</p>
7.	<p><u>Fund Raising</u></p> <p>FrMC referred to the need for fund raising events & it was agreed that for the time being the St John's and St Brendan's Social Committees would be maintained as separate entities, with the latter's focus being on fund raising.</p>	

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8.	<p><u>Social Committee</u></p> <p>TS referred to proposals to hold musical concerts in Church comprising the Barbershop Choir & SH offered a gospel type event.</p>	TS / SH
9.	<p><u>Hymn Books</u> – FrMc updated on progress re sponsorship. £240 had been raised to date. FrMC considering alternative hymn book versions.</p>	
10.	<p><u>Children’s Liturgy & Young People</u></p> <p>RL updated the meeting on the above and a discussion took place about whether to introduce a monthly family Mass. RL was still looking for volunteers to assist with children’s liturgy.</p> <p>FrMC would review the arrangements within the parish to ensure compliance with legislation to protect children & vulnerable adults. There was a need to nominate a Child Protection Representative who would be the contact with the Diocesan Child Protection Commission. SC & CB offered to assist with this task & associated administration.</p>	<p>RL</p> <p>FrMC</p> <p>FrMC</p>
11.	<p><u>Fr Cooke’s Silver Jubilee</u></p> <p>This would be on Friday 7th November 2008 and would possibly be held at Thornleigh Chapel in view of the potential numbers attending. FrMc to give more detail in due course.</p>	
12.	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>7pm on Monday 22nd September 2008 at St Brendan’s RC Church.</p>	