**Parish Council Agenda**

**23rd September 2019**

| **Item** | **Task** | **Discussion** | **Action** | **Who’s responsible/**  **timeframe** |
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| 1. | Open with prayer.  **Prayer 2019**  **Lord, teach us to pray.**  **Teach us to listen to your voice**  **and to hear your word.**  **Teach us to offer our hearts to you in love**  **and to know your love.**  **Teach us to forgive**  **and be forgiven.**  **Teach us to give our lives in your service**  **and to do your will.**  **Teach us to pray,**  **and pray in us, Lord Jesus. Amen.** |  |  |  |
| 2. | Attendance | DT, HW, SB-H, MS, JH, KT |  |  |
| 3. | Apologies | Vicar (on annual leave) |  |  |
| 4. | Role allocations (time keeper, minutes, reporting) | Time:  Minutes:  Reporting: |  |  |
| 5. | **Growing in faith**   1. Read Psalm 139:1-18,23-24. 2. What word or phrase stands out? 3. Read the psalm again. 4. How does this speak into your life today? 5. Read the psalm a third time. 6. What is God inviting you to change, to let go of, or to do differently? 7. Read the psalm a fourth time. 8. What prayer does this prompt you to pray? (Write it down and use at the end of the meeting.) |  |  |  |
| 6. | **Vision Plan**   * Follow up/feedback/reflection on launch * Growth Intention II progress | NB  Funeral families to be invited to All Saints/All Souls service  Taize retreat day 9th November |  |  |
| 9. | **Child Safe Church**   * update |  |  |  |
| 10. | Previous minutes   * 26th August 2019 |  |  |  |
| 11. | Business arising |  |  |  |
| 12. | Action List | All action items to go on the Google document:  <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18Z8sB5ChYAWy3sSLK85SX5ObVJR3Wtk-cdGWMvZF8jk/edit#gid=0>  The assumption will be that whoever has taken responsibility for an action does that action. |  |  |
| 13. | Correspondence:   * Feedback box * Event planning forms |  |  |  |
| 14. | **Vicar’s report** | None this month – Vicar’s on leave! |  |  |
| 15. | **Financial report** |  |  |  |
| 16. | **Other subcommittee reports**   * Other reports |  |  |  |
| 17. | **Compliance**   * Fire Danger rating policy (Code Red) * Privacy Policy (do we have one?) |  |  |  |
| 18. | **Other Matters**   * What needs to go in Parish Matters: INCLUDE DATES for submission * Thank yous for Parish Matters | Dates for submission to and release of PM:  10/10 -> 13/10  14/11 ->17/11 (NB St Margaret’s Day)  5/12 -> 8/12 |  |  |
| 19. | **Parish Council dates for the rest of the year** | PC dates: 28/10, 25/11.  AGM date: Sunday 10/11 |  |  |
| 20. | **Sending forth:** Close with prayer and the grace. |  |  |  |

**Psalm 139:1-18,23-24**

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.   
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;  
   you discern my thoughts from far away.   
You search out my path and my lying down,  
   and are acquainted with all my ways.   
Even before a word is on my tongue,  
   O Lord, you know it completely.   
You hem me in, behind and before,  
   and lay your hand upon me.   
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
   it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit?  
   Or where can I flee from your presence?   
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;  
   if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.   
If I take the wings of the morning  
   and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,   
even there your hand shall lead me,  
   and your right hand shall hold me fast.   
If I say, ‘Surely the darkness shall cover me,  
   and the light around me become night’,   
even the darkness is not dark to you;  
   the night is as bright as the day,  
   for darkness is as light to you.

For it was you who formed my inward parts;  
   you knit me together in my mother’s womb.   
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
   Wonderful are your works;  
that I know very well.   
   My frame was not hidden from you,  
when I was being made in secret,  
   intricately woven in the depths of the earth.   
Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.  
In your book were written  
   all the days that were formed for me,  
   when none of them as yet existed.   
How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!  
   How vast is the sum of them!   
I try to count them—they are more than the sand;  
   I come to the end—I am still with you.

Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
   test me and know my thoughts.   
See if there is any wicked way in me,  
   and lead me in the way everlasting.