

The Glossop Parishes Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday 4th January 2024

Minutes:

Present: Fr Martin, J Carter, A Elliott, C Hulley, A King, L Nash, B Payne, T Sealy,

In attendance: M Furey

Apologies: S Hoolahan,

1. The minutes of the PPC meetings for April, September and November were approved.
2. Matters arising from the minutes:
 - A King sent apologies for the November meeting;
 - There was brief discussion and clarification of the item in the April minutes regarding optional Mass attendance for students from SPH CVA
3. **Election of chairperson:**

Following brief discussion, Fr Martin was elected as chairperson. The suggestion was put forward that a lay chairperson would be elected when we form a joint PPC when we have united with St Charles in Hadfield, although it is likely that we would continue with separate PPCs for a while after uniting.
4. **Election of secretary:**

Liz Nash was elected as secretary.
5. **Five year development plan:**

Two possible templates were tabled and considered, AK and LN to meet to discuss the structure and layout of the plan.

Paperwork from the previous meeting was considered, focussing on the SWOT analysis of 'Evangelisation', the 'Threats' section in particular.

Recognising Evangelisation as the responsibility of the whole church community, key points for action are:

 - Recruitment of new volunteers
 - Drawing on skills offered in last May's skills' audit
 - Develop existing volunteers, eg strengthen skills of welcoming teams, help people to overcome nervousness when volunteering
 - Make better use of welcome cards and welcome pack
 - Carry out involvement survey
6. **Items for brief discussion:**
 - Church hall committee; to be considered by the CLT
 - Health and Safety; B Dewey (ASC) and Steve Hind (SMC) to be approached as possible H&S reps
 - Events committee; to be considered by the CLT
 - Drop in centre; to be considered by the CLT

7. Items from the chairperson:

Fr Martin has received an email from Rob Cranston (chairperson of St Charles' PPC), requesting discussion regarding the uniting of the Glossop parishes and St Charles parish, resulting in the three parishes under the care of one priest.

Fr Martin to respond, suggesting a joint working party with 3 lay members of each of the joint Glossop parishes' PPC and St Charles PPC to share their current vision, their work and plans.

A.O.B. None submitted

Final Prayer

Next meeting: Thursday 7th March 2024, 6.30 – 8.00pm