

**PARISH COUNCIL - PARISH OF BOKSBURG
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 02nd October 2017**

To be a welcoming family of developing Christians, engaging with the community and striving for the glory of God. Serving God and serving one another.

1 ROUTINE MATTERS

1.1 Welcome and attendance:

Present:

Clergy:

Deacon Barbara Morrison, Father Tom Amoore

Parish Wardens:

George Chaplin

Locally elected

Ann Iglauer, Deidre and Robbie Paterson, Janice Lyttle, Margaux

councillors:

Feris, Owen Ramakgapola, Vusi Ndhlovu

Vestry elected councillors:

Merrill Severin

Co-opted councillors:

Karabo Maupa

Apologies:

Andrew Vito, Edna Douglas, Frans Malema, Jeffrey Francis

1.2 Council Office.

The office was said.

1.3 Minutes of Previous meeting.

Accepted after corrections;

i) Omitted under 4.1- Fr Tom nominated Alun Davies, Jennie Davies and Sheldon Beukes as Eucharistic Assistants. Council approved.

ii) St Gabriel's crèche needs to be under 01/4.6 and not under 9.4. It was dealt with under matters arising. It is not a Social Responsibility project of the parish.

1.4 Matters Arising:

01/4.1 Meeting with metro councillors re dumping of rubbish – George spoke to councillor Marius Vos who has promised to follow up.

01/4.1 Eucharistic assistants: Training has been done with the exception of Owen who was not present and Fr Tom hopes that the rest will be licensed at the next Parish service which is Solemn Evensong and Benediction on the 4th November.

01/4.6 St Gabriel's creche – Patricia has asked for use of the hall during November (date to be confirmed) for their year-end concert to parents. Approved in principle.

02/4.1 St. Raphael's security – to be removed from agenda.

02/4.1 Dance group and use of hall – Jeff not present to report further.

03/8.2 Financial reporting – now running and this item is to be removed from the agenda.

03/9.3 St Michael's creche – Merrill agreed to be liaison between them and the Council. Item to be removed from the agenda.

04/4.1 Vernacular hymns – as much as possible has been done - item to be removed from the agenda.

04/4.4 Tea served in garden – This had taken place in September and will be done once a month

04/4.5 Youth Worship – Owen presented a draft action plan (for Teen Worship only). Fr Tom stressed

- i) no expectations should be created that we are not prepared to carry out. Any survey then must be careful of this.
 - ii) Youth Worship time is for worship only, and not for fun activities. That must take place at another time.
 - iii) Youth must be trained in worship activities before worship and not during worship.
 - iv) If the youth are to render Items for the congregations, they may only be done in the service if they link to the worship. Otherwise they must be done outside the worship.
- Owen and Rebecca and Karabo will visit Edenvale where Fr Delani Mthembu has indicated they have a flourishing youth. Fr Tom stressed that there is now a new Rector, Fr Basil Matthews and they need to work with him.
- Owen will attend the next Youth worship meeting.

- 05/2.1.3 Carpets for St Gabriel's – Edna not present to report.
- 05/4.3 Angel Voices magazine –Janice will assist in setting up e-mailing which does not involve Fr Tom and Debbie.
- 05/4.4 List of keyholders – this item can now be removed.
- 06/4.3 St Michael's digital projection – Andrew not present to report
- 06/8.3.4 Parish wide raffle –Sheets/lists were emailed to councillors with previous minutes. To be drawn at 4th Nov at International Evening.
- 07/4.2.1 'birthday club' - Patricia at St Michaels had been consulted by Margaux, and Mathapelo at St Raphael's had been consulted (by ?) and had given the OK. From Feb 2018 this will be held on the first Sunday of each month celebrating the birthdays and anniversaries of the past month. Those concerned will be invited to bring cake. At St Gabriel's this will not take place, but those with birthdays or anniversaries will be invited to bring cake and asked to let the tea team or Lay deacon know in advance.
- 08/4.1 Tour of the parish – notes will be written up by Janice and supported by photos taken by Vusi. Next round starting at St Gabriel's Sat 14th Oct @ 10.00 then to St Raphael's after which the planning Fellowship and Fundraising meeting for 2018 will take place.
- 08/4.1.2 Fund raising bottle drive – The team had not met. Fr Tom stated a convenor was needed to get this going and Margaux was nominated and accepted.
- 08/6.1.1 Digital duplicator – Fr Tom has had no satisfactory quotes yet

2 CORRESPONDENCE

- 2.1.1 Nil.

3 PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3.1 Parish

- 3.1.1 George presented the monthly accounts
- 3.1.2 A Vodacom tower payment has come in and cleared the deficit
- 3.1.3 August's Income is 160% above budget (owing to Vodacom) and YTD is now 18% above budget, with a nett surplus overall (206% above budget!)
- 3.1.4 August's Expenses is 7% over budget and YTD is 5% over budget
- 3.1.5 The accounts were accepted Nem. Con.

3.2 Anglican housing

- 3.2.1 August's Income is 9% above budget and YTD now on par, with a nett surplus overall (36% above budget)
- 3.2.2 August's Expenses is 51% below budget and YTD is on par
- 3.2.3 The accounts were accepted Nem. con

4 TEA GROUPS

Council separated into small groups to discuss state of the parish. Fr Tom asked them to consider how the Wardens can be "instruments of unity" between the three congregations in the parish. This will need to be laid down in a policy document which candidates will need to sign before being nominated.

5 EXECUTIVE MATTERS

5.1 Rector's report

- 5.1.1 Fr Tom mentioned that the 'family time' move to before collection hymn flowed well even if out of place theologically.

5.2 Wardens' report

- 5.2.1 None

6 "ANGLICAN" MATTERS

6.1 Diocese, Diocesan council etc.

6.2 Link parish report

- 6.2.1 No new correspondence.

6.3 Anglican Communion

- 6.2.1

7 FUND-RAISING AND FELLOWSHIP

7.1 Angel Sweep

- 7.1.1 August winners were drawn at Spring Lunch event.

7.2 Review of past events

- 7.2.1 The "Spring lunch" at St Michael's on 16th September was well attended and raised an above-average amount. Thanks to those who attended and AWF organisers and table 'hosts'.
- 7.2.2 Patronal celebration at the separate congregations on 1st October were well supported. St Gabriel's had a full sit-down breakfast. St Raphael's had a bring-and-share-brunch. St Michael's had a bring-and-share-lunch that could have been better supported, but those present had a good time. This was followed later by an organ recital from Kyle, followed by a cheese-and-wine, and then Solemn evensong and Benediction. Thanks to those who attended, to all the organisers and food preparers and clearers!

7.3 Progress on coming events:

- 7.3.1 4th November 17.00 International Evening Janice & Merrill – co-ordinate teams hosting tables and or craft stalls. Table hosts & Stall holders can park on Plein Street side. "Patrons" to use Hospital St parking and hall entrance. Tickets R70 for adults R30 children under 12. Wrist-bands to be used. Food served between 5 and 7pm. Angel Sweep big draw and Parish Raffle draw
- 7.3.2 10th December Fr Tom's 40th Anniversary of priesthood. Merrill, Nadine, Ann, Deidre,

Janice to organise lunch. Services at 7am, 8.30am and 10am.

7.3.3 16th December 18.30 Carols by candle-light . Toni -> Ann not present to report.

8 SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

8.1 Pedlar Place

8.1.1 Garage doors done.

8.2 St. Raphael's Pre-Primary

8.2.1 Ann presented her report back on the school

8.3 St. Michael's Crèche

8.3.1 Nil.

8.4 Tambo babies

8.4.1 Deacon Barbara had emailed her report of the latest handouts and sponsorships

8.5 Tuesday/Wednesday feeding scheme

8.5.1 Fr Tom reported. Last handout the numbers had been lower than previously. There was therefore more than sufficient food..

8.6 Clinic.

8.6.1 Fr Tom reported. Arrangements are now going smoothly.

9 GENERAL

10 NEXT MEETING AND CLOSURE:

Council Mon 30th October 19.00 at St Michael's

Closure. The meeting closed with the Grace at 21.15

CHAIRMAN

DATE