

All Saints' Church, Brandeston

Parochial Church Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee
held on Monday 6th May 2011

Present: Mr Baker (Hon. Treasurer)
Mrs Baker (Hon. Secretary)
Miss Leach (Churchwarden)
Mr McArthur (Vice-Chairman)
Mrs Molyneux (Churchwarden)

We are here...

- To worship God
- To nurture believers
- To serve the community

Apologies were received from the Revd Robin Alderson and Mr Garratt.

Contract for work on Church

Two of the three tenders have been returned:

Cubit Theobald: £45 958 before VAT
Valiant: £48 524 before VAT

Architects fees will be £5 744

The total for using Cubit Theobald, the cheaper option, (including fees) will be £52 585.

The bell rope guides, the radiators and the improvements to the path are not included in this figure.

Mr McArthur will apply for grants. We will have about £18000 to declare to grants making bodies after paying for the bell rope guides and the radiators. We need to write to Cubit Theobald agreeing in principle. We will adjust the works to be done according to grants that we receive. At present we can afford £20 000.

Mr Alderson will write a letter to residents and members of the electoral roll, to be approved at the next meeting of the PCC. This will also be sent to Framlingham College's Society of Old Framlinghamians. We need donations as soon as possible, preferably by the end of May.

Mr McArthur proposed the resolution, seconded by Mrs Molyneux, that the Standing Committee should write to the architect to inform him that we accept the contract with Cubit Theobald for £45958, with the proviso that the works agreed will be subject to what

we can afford after grant offers have been received. This capital sum is only for priority item repairs for the 2010 Brandeston quinquennial report.

This resolution was approved by all the Standing Committee.

Plaster Fall

Temporary repairs to a fall of masonry near the arch by the chancel were agreed. The Architect was consulted and he agreed to this temporary work with more permanent repair at the time of the other works in the autumn, costing approximately £250. Church users have been excluded from the danger area. Mr McArthur and Mr Baker will borrow a ladder from Jeff Hogan to remove any more loose material.

Bank Account

Mr Baker will talk to HSBC in Framlingham about our accounts and other matters. If they can't help us we will go to HSBC in Woodbridge who are able to supply the services that we require. Members of the Standing Committee agreed to share associated duties.

The meeting discussed distribution of posters for the open garden and agenda items for the next meeting of the PCC.