

**St Francis of Assisi, Llay and Christ the King, Rossett
Parish AGM held on 17 September 2017**

Present: Anne Aitkin, John Fernee, Judy Fernee, Kathy Home, Canon Lordan, Ashley Rogers, Barrie Williams, Carole Williams, Peter Burke, Michael Meehan, Alison Williams, Fr. Frank Gerrard, Don Downing, Geraldine Downing.

Apologies: Ann Cheetham, Helen Zammit-Willson

1.	The meeting opened with a prayer.	
2.	Apologies were received as above.	
3.	The minutes of the AGM held on 18 September 2016 were approved.	
4.	<p>Action Points</p> <p>All completed. The “Into the Future” programme continues but at this point in time there is nothing further to report to the Parish. The Appraisal has not yet been carried out but as reported at the PAC meeting on 23 February 2017 the whole process is likely to take up to 5 years, so we shouldn’t be surprised or alarmed at the time being taken.</p> <p>The gardens and general grounds at our Church in Llay are now being maintained by Ashtree Garden Services.</p>	
5.	<p>PAC – Future and Way Forward</p> <p>Due to the poor turn out at the last PAC meeting it was proposed that consideration be given to closing down the PAC and replace it with an annual parish meeting to report back to parishioners on various issues. See the minutes of the meeting dated 6 July 2017 for a fuller explanation and proposal. The future of the PAC was the only item on the agenda for this year’s AGM.</p> <p>Canon Lordan advised that he found it very helpful to have a meeting to discuss the needs of the parish during the seasons of Christmas and Lent/Easter. He suggested that the meetings be reduced to just 2 a year in addition to an AGM.</p> <p>There was much discussion on how the PAC had successfully operated in the past, supporting both priest and parishioners, within the parameters of a Constitution. John proposed that we return to the original organisational structure and this was seconded by Ashley.</p> <p>After further discussion it was felt that the PAC should continue but that it needed to be refreshed and relaunched within the parish. First and foremost parishioners need to be informed about what a PAC is and their role within it. Secondly it needs to be structured in such a way that it enables parishioner participation alongside the various work patterns and family commitments of today.</p> <p>John Fernee will issue a copy of the existing Constitution to those who attended today’s meeting as well as information on how the PAC was originally constructed.</p> <p>Carol Williams agreed to head a working group whose objective is to produce a briefing paper for presentation to the parish. Kathy Holmes will support her as well as any other attendees from today.</p>	<p>John Fernee</p> <p>Carol Williams & Kathy Home</p>

	<p>It was agreed that we would meet again on Wednesday 4 October at 6.30pm to make a start on the PAC's structure and the briefing paper. The meeting is open to everyone but all those who attended today's meeting are encouraged to be there.</p>	
6.	<p>Other issues raised</p> <p>The parish currently holds a sum of money, £3249.44, which was raised for the parish of Sumy. The original intention was to use the money to finance a visit to our parish by some of the Sumy parishioners. However, this visit is no longer under consideration. As the sum is substantial, John Fernee has been asked to ascertain if there is a project or particular need within Sumy Parish that this money could aid. The money will be given to Sumy by 31 March 2018.</p>	<p>John Fernee</p>
7.	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed with a prayer.</p>	