Catholic Parish of St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston incorporating St Peter's Bude

Minutes of the Parish Annual Meeting held at Charles Langdon Room, St Cuthbert Mayne, Sunday 6th May 2012.

Attendees: Fr David Annear(PP), Philip Stephenson (Chairman), Lea Deely (Deputy-Chair), Dave Thomas (Treasurer), Rachel Bourgoin (Secretary), Anne Hammond, Gina Dias, Bohdan and Rosemary Meeson, Peter Ware, Gill Thomas, Geoff Provis (safeguarding rep), Marlene Provis, Peter Hazard (Buildings consultant), Chris Hazard, Kim and Arnolda Kinvig, Steve Dauncey, Leo McLeman, Janette Kirkby, Liz and Joanne Graham, Raymond and Veronica Jones, Colin and Dallas Barrett. The meeting was opened at 11.25. Fr David said an opening prayer.

- **1.0** Chairman's opening remarks, suggesting that people write to their MPs to object to the government's proposal to allow gay marriage.
- **1.1** Apologies for absence were received from: Derek and Bridie Clark, Angela and Freddie Ball and Kathy Butland.
- **2.2** Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting was proposed by Bohdan Meeson, seconded by Geoff Provis and passed without dissent.
- **3.0** Parish Report presented by Fr David (attached) and summarised as follows: much is to do with maintenance which is a part of the process of spiritual and material renewal. Links with other churches (especially at L) need to be established. His ambitions are: to have a new church at B, where the URC are willing for us to share their church in the summer; to publish a Parish History, which can be used to 'spread the word'; to increase apologetics in the 'Year of Faith'; to encourage more social events, while being aware of the distance between B & L.
- **4.0** Financial Report presented by David Thomas (attached). The Parish has a healthy balance, these figures do not include the investment monies. The closing of B bank account has been delayed because some DDs are still being paid into it.

Approval of the Financial Report was proposed by Peter Ware, seconded by Steve Dauncey and passed without dissent.

- **5.0** Buildings Project Report by Peter Hazard (attached). The topographical survey is necessary for planning proposals. Until full applications for improvements have been submitted and approved it would be best not to carry out any demolition works.
- **6.0** Election of officers. Lea Deely took the Chair: as there have been no other nominations for Chairman she proposed Philip Stephenson, seconded by Bohdan Meeson and passed without dissent.

Philip Stephenson took the chair and proposed Lea Deely as Deputy –Chair, seconded by Anne Hammond and passed without dissent.

Volunteers were called to fill the PPC vacancies. Leo McLeman offered his services.

Philip Stephenson proposed that PPC members be re-elected, seconded by Anne Hammond and passed without dissent.

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7.0 AOB: Geoff Provis reported that safeguarding matters are going well.

In answer to a question Fr David said that in view of the hoped-for new church at B only low cost and essential improvements will go ahead in the present building. It was stated that improvements to the car park need to be viewed in the light of long term plans.

Fr David agreed that a sound system at L is essential and he is waiting for the necessary permissions and also to improve the lighting.

Arnolda Kinvig reported that the Food Bank work at L is growing in scope.

Anne Hammond confirmed that the same is true of B.

A letter from Angela Ball was read. All the matters raised had already been covered in the meeting.

The meeting closed at 12.15 with a prayer.