

MINUTES OF EXTRA CHURCH MEMBERS MEETING

MARCH 12TH 2017

Present: Peer Timothy (chair), Maxine Corrigan (minutes), Myrtle Catchpole, Chris Yallup, David Waters, Louise Powles, Kevin Ward, June Day, Robin Day, Joe Liddament, Denise Jackson, Lester Jackson, Malcolm Edmond, Judith Edmonds, Brian Robinson, Marilyn Robinson, Richard Keenan, Grace Dale, Claire Timothy, Lillianne Eagle, Millie Bishop, Fiona Waters, Judith Gilbertson, Chris Hillier, Andy Hillier, Pat Hillier, Bex Worden, Kim Symeou, Nik Symeou, Louise Lyle, Pete Lyle, Sandra Grey, Claire Hamilton-Deane, Su Robinson, Jo Knights

36 members, there was a quorum

Apologies: Iona Nixon, Martin Bayliss, Val Bayliss, Louise Liddament, Lessie Keenan, Pat King, Brian King

Finance Report: In the absence of the acting treasurer Peter drew everyone's attention to the financial information document previously circulated (Addendum 1) outlining details of the church finances. Explaining the three columns entitled 2016, 2017, 2018. The first being the actual figures for the end of 2016 then a budget set for this year and a forecast for next year.

Peter mentioned particular lines :

17, Minister's expenses – the budget for 2017 is higher than the end of year for 2016 as Leda did not claim all she was entitled, whereas Jorge will need to claim all his expenses.

18, Manse expenses – there has been a budget set for some work on the manse as the boiler needs replacement and has done for the last three services. Also the bay window in the master bedroom needs replacement as there is damp and mould causing health problems for the minister's wife. These have been planned for in this year budget.

30, Balance carried forward to next year. While this shows a balance at the end of 2016 of £49,863, this reduces to £24,557 by end of 2017 due to funds set aside for CAP. By the end of 2018 the balance has reduced to £9,755. This being based on the regular giving pattern of 2016.

Peter pointed out that the 2018 balance includes the £9,000 from a Home Mission grant and without it funds would be at almost nothing.

Home Mission Application: Based upon the finances discussed Peter brought the resolution from the Trustees that: Recognising the priority of mission, and the role of ministers "to

equip... people for works of service" (Ephesians 4:12), we apply for a Mission Grant to help enable a Minister to lead us in the task of mission.

We therefore resolve to request a grant of £9,000 as a contribution towards the stipend for 2018 and to pay all legitimate expenses (including travel and telephone) incurred in the carrying out of the ministry.

The membership took a vote on this resolution which was unanimously carried.

Peter thanked everyone and closed the meeting in prayer