

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 15th November 2017 at 1.30pm

Venue: St. Edward the Confessor, 191 Winchester Road, Chandlers Ford, Hampshire SO53 2DU

Present: Paul O'Driscoll (PO'D) (Chair), Canon Dominic Golding (Canon DG), Sister Elizabeth McCormack (Sister EMcC), Abbot Cuthbert Brogan (Abbot CB), Fr. John Lee (Fr JL), Fr PJ Smith (Fr PJ), Stephen Morgan (SDM), Meta Muncaster (MM), Fiona Matthews (FM) & Paul Neary (PN).

In Attendance: Angela McGrory (AMcG) & Soraya Ciccarone (SC) (Minutes).

PO'D welcomed everyone to the meeting and Abbot Cuthbert led with a prayer. Father PJ Smith was also further welcomed and will be joining the Commission as the Youth Ministry Lead for Educational Chaplaincies at the Bishop's request.

Apologies – Sister Elizabeth McCormack, Kate Burke & DS Ian Mears.

1) Minutes of Meeting held on 13th September 2017 (At St Bede's, Basingstoke)

Actions from Meeting:-

3) Updates to Existing Policies - Commission Recommendation to Trustees – Update – Visitors to Presbyteries – AMcG updated that the keys issue for parish properties is being discussed when undertaking the new PP/Reps meetings around the Diocese. Some PP's are choosing to change the locks. AMcG is recording the findings as keeps a record of all these meetings. **AGREED REMOVE from AGENDA.**

5) Any Other Business – Bishop's Council Meeting with the Commission – This has been agreed but a date is still to be set. **AGREED REMOVE from AGENDA.**

2) Matters Arising (not on Agenda)

Trustee Link – Canon DG reported that none of the Trustee's have disagreed for Canon DG to be the Trustee Link so this appointment is now confirmed.

3) DSC Report ***Non-Confidential***

3.4 Update/Progress - E-Bulk

AMcG reported that rechecks will be starting in January 2018.

4) COC's (Covenants of Care)

AMcG reported in Mark Bramah's absence that we currently have 36 existing COC's. Of these from this year only 5 remain open. A number are due for review (Approximately 18) but the most serious are regularly reviewed.

5) Safeguarding – Terms of Reference

SDM thinks that as a Commission we are functioning well and there are no concerns about the way we are operating. All present agreed to approve the current Terms of Reference.

6) Any Other Business

None noted.

The meeting concluded at 3.50pm with a prayer led by Fr J Lee.

Meeting Dates & Venues for 2018 – All Meetings to start at 1.30pm

Wednesday 10th January (St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford)

Wednesday 14th March (St Bede's, Basingstoke)

Wednesday 16th May (St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford)

Wednesday 18th July (St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford)

Wednesday 12th September (St Bede's, Basingstoke)

Wednesday 14th November (St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford)