



# Guiseley Methodist Church

Wharfedale & Aireborough Circuit

Oxford Road, Guiseley, Leeds LS20 9EP

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## Minutes of the Church Council Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017

### **1 Minutes from previous meeting**

Were approved and signed as being correct. An updated keyholders list has been produced.

### **2 AOB**

Two items identified

### **3 Membership of meeting**

A new steward were all welcomed. LB is now the Church Council rep for GSBCRB groups

### **4 Reports**

**Finance:** The report was accepted. EH gave a message from KR about Godly Play funding: the cost of the equipment has been met from the legacy from GD. Our circuit assessment next year will be slightly lower than this year.

**Gift Aid, Pastoral and Property reports** were all accepted, with a reminder that standing orders are encouraged instead of cash for the weekly donations.

**Safeguarding:** Council agreed that each presbyter should be asked to decide how their contact details are to be displayed. Basic and refresher safeguarding courses are scheduled – please talk to CD to find out whether you need to take one.

Thanks were expressed to all who are members of the above teams, their work is much appreciated.

### **5 Tots Worker.**

After SK's resignation the post is being advertised, hopefully interviewing on 18 July. If no appointment can be made then the future of our Tots' will have to be considered. A letter to SK thanking her for her work is to be sent from the Church Council.

### **6 Stewards/Church Council**

Council agreed to ratify the appointments listed in item **3** above.

### **7 Leadership Team**

Names of the new Church Leadership Team members were approved by council. The initial meeting will be held before Andrew leaves his post. If there is anything about our church life that needs to be discussed we are asked to bring it to a member of the Leadership Team initially so that it can be taken forward as appropriate.

### **8 Constitution and policy of our Church Council**

One minor amendment was suggested for the current document. Council agreed this should be made and the document re-dated.

### **10 Group 13 carol singing**

Group 13 is awaiting a decision from Morrison's as to whether this can take place this Christmas due to space available. However the group suggests that the carol singing become a church event,

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perhaps no longer at Morrison's, perhaps including children and giving the collection to a children's charity. To be put to the Leadership Team.

**11 Any other business**

**Bookings:**As external bookings are increasing PB requested that some of the keyholders assist in opening and closing the building from time to time. A note will be circulated.

**Marriages:** Council agreed to nominate Revd Roger Smith as the person legally registered to perform marriages at Guiseley Methodist Church and the appropriate forms were duly signed.

**12** Council members expressed their thanks to Andrew for his ministry amongst us, and wished him well for the future.

**13 Next Church Council meeting:** 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017, at 7.30 pm at Guiseley

The meeting ended in prayer.

*Church Council Secretary*

Signed ..... Date .....