

UPDATE FROM THE PCC MEETING – 10 FEBRUARY 2010

Seating in Church:

It was confirmed that correspondence on the matter had been sent to the Vicar and also the Secretary. The general view was that more seating should be available and that it was not acceptable for the church to be dependent on a small number of parishioners to bring more seats for concerts/large services.

George Fenemore confirmed that of the 9 pews in storage at his farm, only 5 of them are serviceable and without woodworm. This matter will be fully discussed with parishioners on 20 February 2010.

Tables:

George Fenemore has been mandated to make some more tables that can be used by both the church and the Farmers' Market.

Screens:

The PCC has been looking at replacing the blue screens by the font. Hugh Marshall has put forward a suggestion that a cupboard be built outwards from the gentlemen's toilet area. This could provide much needed storage and could also be used for display purposes. The PCC will explore this further.

News Sheet Format:

The PCC has agreed to review the layout and content of the new parish news sheet. It was agreed that this new monthly format is still a work in progress. Kristin Thompson has agreed to assist in the editing of the news sheet and to work on including more "people" news from the benefice.

Youth Worker Advert:

The Secretary has arranged for a revised advert to go into April's edition of Youth Work magazine. This edition will be available from mid March.

Stewardship/Parish Development:

The PCC has decided to include this item at the forthcoming APCM in April and will request a feedback report from Robin Brunner-Ellis in time for this meeting.

Ecclesiastical Insurance Group Inspection:

EIG inspected the church on 1 February 2010. In general the inspectors were very pleased with the way in which the church is being kept and the new policies in place regarding health and safety. There are a few points regarding maintenance which will be addressed either by the PCC or Standing Committee.

Hempton:

▪ New organ

Les Chappell reported that a new organ needs to be purchased as none of the existing equipment works. Elsa Williams and Heather Nason have selected a suitable replacement.

▪ Chancel Repairs and door installation project:

Quotes for this work have been received and will be discussed more fully as March's PCC meeting.