MINUTES OF THE CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN

ST MARGARET’S CHURCH ON 16 AUGUST 2016

PRESENT: D. Frost, Revd C. Parkes, P. Savill, M. Scott and H. Taylor

1. NOTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 19 APRIL2016

These were agreed as a correct record.

2. FUND RAISING EVENTS

We noted the three events held this year had raised a total of £1,115.

FIDS £420

Jazz-Soul £195

Arts Roundabout £500

Art demonstration

Susan Keeble and Jennie Scott have confirmed it will not be possible for them to organise an art demonstration this summer.

Wine appreciation evening

Having reviewed the necessary arrangements for this event David advised that the church would not be a suitable venue.

Essex Stride and Ride – Saturday, 10 September

This is a county wide event held each year.

 Michael and David agreed to open the church at 10am and to greet any visitors. Revd Celia will aim to join them by 12:30pm. Church guide books will be available to purchase. Penny will try to find a guide book to copy. Revd Celia will arrange for additional copies to be made. **ACTION: REVD CELIA/P.SAVILL**

We agreed to defer plans for further fund raising events until next year.

3. FINANCES

Harold reported on our current financial situation. We noted we have £2,480 in the bank.

4. CHURCH SURVEY

We agreed the top priority was solving the dampness problem and estimates were needed for the gutter and plaster work required to make good the damage caused by the damp. We noted that as Sam Adams had acquired estimates for this work a year ago we would ask her to forward all files and estimates to David. **ACTION P.SAVILL**

We agreed extra resources were needed for a community help morning to clear and clean up the vestry, tidy up the church yard and church drive. A note asking for volunteers as well as letting the community know the date for our AGM will be in October’s Margaretting News. We also agreed to write to all the members of the Support Group prior to the October newsletter updating them on the work of this committee and informing them of the date of our AGM. **ACTION: M.Scott.**

Harold volunteered to arrange the weeding of the rose garden and tidying up of the tomb by the porchway entrance. He also volunteered to look into the shingle costs for the drive. David volunteered to sweep the ground gullies, to treat the porchway entrance with wood preservative and investigate death watch beetle treatment.

5. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

AGM – Wednesday, 19 October.