

Minutes of the Deanery Synod held via Zoom video conference on Tuesday 6 July 2021

Attendance 44 participants

Welcome & Prayer

Jackie Ashmenall, Lay Chair, welcomed everyone to this meeting and Revd. Jacqueline Shalloe (Standing Committee) opened in prayer.

Business Items

Introduction to Christ the Redeemer, Southall

As Christ the Redeemer were not able to host this July synod meeting as an in-person meeting because of the restrictions, Revd. Wilson Masih gave an introduction to the parish.

Thank you to the former Area Dean

Area Dean, Revd. David Neno had delivered a card with a gift to express our gratitude to the former Area Dean, Revd. Steve Newbold to which Revd. Steve Newbold said thank you.

Finance

Margaret Cobley, Treasurer, presented the examined accounts for the year ending 28 February 2021. The accounts were adopted.

Thanks were expressed to Margaret Cobley for her work on this and for organizing the change in cheque signatories on the bank account to Revd. David Neno (Area Dean), Margaret Cobley (Treasurer), Jackie Ashmenall (Lay Chair) and Revd. Karen Greenidge-Silcott (Standing Committee).

School Governors

Elections will take place at the Synod meeting on Thursday 14 October 2021 for governors to: Ealing Fields; Ada Lovelace; and Twyford High School.

The Area Dean has contacted the current governors to see if they would like to continue. Anyone else is also welcome to make proposals.

Mission Bids

The Ealing Deanery Mission Fund is a historic pot of money set aside for Christian mission in the deanery managed by the charity Pathways. Since 2012 the income from this fund has been distributed through the Ealing Deanery Synod. The Standing Committee has reviewed the 2021 applications and the following bids are being considered. In view of the number of bids, six bids were invited to make presentations to the Synod as noted.

Christ the Saviour Provide and co-ordinate series of workshops for church members to

engage with and improve racial awareness and interaction

(presentation made)

St John's, West Ealing Funding activities for a midweek elders support group (presentation

made)

Living Waters Arabic Developing the work of the LWAC radio app (presentation made)

Church

St Barnabas, Pitshanger Developing marketing material

St Martin's, West Acton Projector

Holy Cross, Greenford New Noticeboards

St Thomas's, Hanwell New Noticeboard

Southall Parish Develop old church building as community ministry.

Southall Group Ministry Develop a prayer labyrinth (presentation made)

St Nicholas, Perivale Delivery of Invitation pack (presentation made)

Presence at Perivale Festival

Open gardens and use creatively

St Mary's, Ealing Live streaming and processing equipment developing digital services

The Ascension, Hanger Hill Live streaming tech for broadcasting

St Peter's, Ealing Live streaming tech

St Stephen's, Ealing livestreaming tech

St Dunstan's, East Acton Live streaming equipment

Oak Tree Fellowship Updating live streaming equipment

All Hallows, Greenford Live streaming equipment

St Mary's, Northolt Live streaming equipment

St Joseph the Worker Live streaming equipment

St Hugh's, Northolt Live streaming equipment

St Mary, Norwood Green New noticeboard and live streaming equipment (presentation made)

St George's, Southall Streaming equipment

The six presentations gave us an indication of the breadth of the projects for which mission bids had been made and enabled us to celebrate the mission activity taking place in the deanery.

As over £44,000 was available in the Mission Fund, the Synod was able to approve in block grants of up to £2,000 (some churches requested less than £2,000) to each of the 22 projects.

Prayer and Finish

The next meeting will be on Thursday 14 October 2021 and it is hoped that we will be able to meet in person.

Fr Valmor Pimenta (Standing Committee) closed the meeting with a prayer at 8.21pm.