



**MINUTES OF CHRIST CHURCH DOWNEND EXTRA-ORDINARY PCC MEETING  
HELD AT CHRIST CHURCH JUNIOR SCHOOL ON SUNDAY 14 JANUARY @ 12.15PM**

**Present:** Jamie Paddon (Chair), Revd Jo Vickery, Helen Buick, Miriam Parfitt, Julian Cox, Roger Cholmondeley, Jonathan Dobson, Deb Turpin, Richard Ward, Pete Tiltman and Miranda Mingay as Clerk

**Apologies for absence**

- Revd Paul Peterson (away on leave)
- Bryan Ashton (not in Bristol)
- Andy Smith (away on leave)
- Martin Brown (illness)
- Ian Giles

**Guest attendee:**

- Margaret Nichols (as PM for B4L)

JP thanked all for coming to the meeting on a Sunday and invited JV to open the meeting with a reading from Hebrews 11:1 and prayer.

JP stated the meeting was called for the PCC to approve CCD signing the revised building contract with Hart for the next phase of the reordering project. He explained that due to us not having enough funds to cover the original contract value, the B4L team, in conjunction with Andy Morton, has recommended a number of project elements are omitted from this phase of the project, but can be added back in once sufficient funds have been received. He stated that the scaled-down contract price of £942,720 less the £288,896 we have already paid, means that by signing the contract, CCD are bound to pay the balance of £653,824 plus VAT on completion of the works (although 25% of the VAT should be reclaimable at the end of the project). He continued by providing an update to the B4L fund figures previously provided to the PCC members as follows;

B4L fund balance as at 31/12/2017:	£347,426 (which include the sale proceeds of Glendale)
Pledges made but yet to be received:	£413,384
Making a total of:	£760,810

JP continued by saying there were risks involved in signing the contract as we are unclear as to what the final VAT liability will be. It is possible that not all the pledges made will come in, and these include a £200k pledge and offer of a £180k loan yet to be received. JP said he is confident that the loan will come through, but not so sure about the £200k donation. JV added it was due in April 2018 and the risk will be if we do not get the £200k in time. MN said the repayment schedule with Hart has not been provided as this cannot be done until the contract is signed.

JP brought up the issue of himself and Martin Brown being co-signatories for the savings accounts where the majority of B4L funds are held. There is a need for an additional signatory and

suggested JV becomes the co-signatory. He added there was also a 3-month notice period on some of the accounts but he has spoken with Hodge Bank about adding a signatory and has the form to complete this. Hodge also said as the £75k held in this account has reached its term, so we can get these funds quite quickly.

Discussion was had between HB, JP and JV in which HB asked whether there was a Plan B should one or more of the pledgers is unable to complete their commitment after the contract is signed. MN said they can approach the Methodist Aid Foundation and Bristol Diocese for loans as an option.

JV, said he, JP, AS & RC are meeting with the Diocese Secretary next week to discuss options for a loan. MN added the Archdeaconry has also pledged £50k towards the reordering and this is not included in the B4L fund pledged or received figures. JV added that the faculty had now been passed.

JP proposed for the contract with Hart Construction to be signed.  
JV Seconded with the majority in favour. There was one abstention

The motion was carried for the contract to be signed on Tuesday 16 January 2018 <sup>1</sup>

Date of future meetings:

PCC – Tuesday 30 January, Monday 26 March 2018

APCM – Sunday 29 April 2018 ?

Signed:   
(Jamie Paddon as Chair)

Dated: 30/01/18

*The PCC co-operates with the incumbent in promoting the whole mission of Christ Church with a particular responsibility for ensuring wise and faithful stewardship of the church's resources, to enable vision to become reality*

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<sup>1</sup> Following on from this meeting, the date was changed to Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2018.