

St Luke Church, Lodge Moor

Digest of Trustees meetings in November and January

Trustees meet every second month on the third Wednesday (next on 20 March). Anyone wishing to raise items should contact Peter Armstrong or any member of Trustees before the first Wednesday of the month, when Standing Committee meet to prepare the agenda and deal with minor issues.

The Trustees awayday in the Autumn highlighted three main strategic issues

- Making sure our services are attractive to all ages.
- An appropriate relationship with St Columba's and the Methodist Church in Crosspool.
- Possibilities for a church plant or other type of missional community within the parish.

During 2018 the Growing Younger group held three open meetings to develop relationships and understanding across the generations in our church community. These meetings also identified a mutual desire, whatever our age, to be more 'intentional' in how we connect with our local community and share our faith. Trustees formed the St Luke's Strategy Group to propose ways this can be achieved and to consider the above three issues in the context of overall Church strategy. Its members are: Rev Chris, Andrew Foulkes, Jackie McDermott, Jon Cooper, Eric Stevens and Joan Russon.

The Gateway project to extend the building is a large and separate matter with its own Steering Group. Planning permission has occupied much of the past year. Trustees were recently informed of a legacy to the church which could help with some of the preparatory costs.

Jenny Griffiths returned from maternity leave to pick up the reins as Children and Families Worker.

Trustees recognised that a further development role would be valuable and created the part-time post of Development Worker, which was accepted by Nicola Ellis. Florence Body resigned from the Admin Assistant role to pursue her career and Michelle took on more hours. She is now our only Administrator. Trustees also adjusted staff salaries and annual leave.

Nursery found that Hallam School facilities were competing for pre- and after-school attendance and decided to begin taking infants aged 12-24 months, with just three places at first.

Trustees also agreed:

- measures to manage parking for large events and to let neighbours know we understand their issues,
- to book a weekend away at Swanwick in Autumn 2020,.
- to have the hall floor resurfaced in August. This may cause some disruption to activities,
- to be involved in the Hallam Community and Youth Association Summer fete as we have before.
- to renew all our contact and membership data in compliance with Anglican rules and GDPR.

The full list of Trustees is below.

The list is also on the noticeboard in the church corridor, which also has the minutes of the most recent meeting.

Any member of the church may attend a Trustees meeting as an observer, after contacting the Hon. Secretary.

Trustees

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