

Churches Together in Leyland AGM
Tuesday 19th September 2017, St Ambrose church, 7.30pm

Present

Holy Apostles	Rebecca Higgs
Leyland Methodist	David Marston
Midge Hall	Muriel Butler
St Ambrose	Rev Duncan Clarke, Robert Haydock, Eileen Haydock, Rita Braithwaite
St Andrews	Edna Finch, Margaret Dixon
St Marys	Fr Jonathan Cotton, Teresa Smith, Michael Cowburn
St James	Maddy Parkinson, Nerys Brown, Rev Marc Wolverson
St Johns	Peter Fitton
URC	Rev David Coaker, Eddie Reynolds, Christine Holmes

Diane Barnard

Apologies

Holy Apostles	Fr Christodoulos Fyles
Leyland Methodist	Kathy Lamb
Midge Hall	Deacon Ellen Monk Winstanley
St Andrews	Rev Dr Duncan Bell
St Marys	Martin Smith
St Johns	Rev Alistair McHaffie, Rev Barbara Wilson, Barbara Bibby

1. Welcome and opening prayer

Margaret Dixon thanked St Ambrose for hosting the AGM and for people attending. She read from 1 Peter 4 v 7-11 and all present said the CTL prayer.

2. Attendance and apologies

As above.

3. AGM minutes 2016

The minutes were approved as being an accurate account of the meeting. Robert Haydock proposed the minutes and Maddy Parkinson seconded them. The minutes were then signed by the Chair, Margaret Dixon.

4. Matters arising

Refugees – no further notification was given.

5. Election of officers

Chair and treasurer have one year to complete their terms in line with the executive terms of office in the Constitution

Vice-chair and minute secretary have a further two years to service

Secretary – no nominations received - position available

6. Chair's review

Margaret read out the chair's review of past events for the last year. Please contact her if you would like a copy of the report.

7. Treasurer's review

Robert handed out copy of the balance sheet as at 31st August 2017.

8. Churches responsibilities for events are currently in line with the executive 3 year terms. As it's the 50th celebrations next year the Good Friday walk will be undertaken the by the executive.

9. Future events

Winter festival

Friday 24th November at the cross by Tesco One Voice choir will be singing and there will be the turning on of the lights followed by refreshments in St Andrews.

Saturday 25th November

Plans will be announced at the October meeting

Lancashire Sings Christmas

14th December 7.00pm in Tesco café (time to be confirmed at October meeting) and in the Midge Hall pub

Fair Share collection (there was no collection over the summer)

30th November, 1st and 2nd December

David Marston asked CTL reps who organised their volunteers to see him/contact him.

10. Reports from group activities

Reports were received from the Furniture Scheme, Peter Fitton, Unify Credit Union, Rev David Coaker and the Food Bank, Lesley Raven, please see attached. One Voice Choir and Tools for Self Reliance will be available shortly.

Website - Teresa reported on Martin's behalf.

Martin had not received much information to add to the website over the last year. He is happy to carry on with how things are but could not commit to do anything more. Item to go on October agenda for further discussion.

11. Celebration 2018

Teresa had put together a timeline of events for the 2018 50th year celebration, please see attached. She asked for people to bring names to the October meeting of those willing to volunteer.

Mike Cowburn had designed three new designs of the CTL logo for the 2018 celebrations. These were handed round and people asked to decide which was their favourite and there was a firm favourite will be used in due course.

Teresa and Margaret had recently met with Anton Muller Lancashire Churches together and encouraged CTL to start praying for the events next year. Teresa has since put a prayer together, which has already been emailed to people. She is aware of people's commitments etc but suggested saying the prayer on a Thursday at 11.00. She encouraged people to use the CTL directory to telephone someone and say the prayer together.

12. Any other business

Muriel informed CTL of www.christmasangel.net This is a project that Midge Hall and Leyland Methodists have organised. Angels have been knitted with a Christmas message attached to the back of it. The idea being of leaving the angels around Leyland in shops etc for people to find and take home. They are aiming to knit 200. If people are interested the pattern is on the website.

Macmillan coffee morning – Saturday 23rd September, 10.00am – 12.00 noon at Leyland Methodist church all welcome.

South Ribble Partnership - Teresa attended a meeting in the first week of the summer holidays which was to gain membership approval to wind up the charity group. The breadth of groups covered in the network has not really worked, from community, voluntary and faith. The main reason for the group existing was to promote networking this has been less and less important with social network opportunities.

13. Dates and venues for future meetings

Thursday 26th October 2017 – St Ambrose
Tuesday 6th February 2018 – St James
Wednesday 9th May – 2018 – Midge Hall
Monday 2nd July 2018 – Leyland Methodist
? September 2018 – AGM

14. Closing prayer

Rev Duncan Clarke led the group by saying the grace to each other.