CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LEYLAND AGM 8THSEPTEMBER 2020 'ZOOM' MEETING HELD ON-LINE DUE TO PANDEMIC RESTRICTIONS

1) <u>Welcome</u> Chairman Teresa welcomed everyone, but before proceeding asked the meeting to confirm that it was acceptable that the AGM continued via the internet – all agreed.

Vice Chairman Christine then read some verses from a Hymn 'The God we Love'.

2) Attendance:

Baptist Church	Sandra Crawford
Leyland Methodist	Rev Gill Welsh
	Kathryn Granell
Midge Hall Methodist	Deacon Ellen Monk-Winstanley
	Muriel Butler
St Ambrose	Rita Braithwaite
St Andrews	Margaret Dixon
St James	Maddy Parkinson
St Johns	Diane Barnard
	Peter Fitton
	Rev Barbara Wilson
St Mary's	Fr Jonathan Cotton
	Martin and Teresa Smith
United Reformed Church	Christine Holmes

<u>Apologies:</u> Rev. Andy Meeson, Eileen Cuerden, Mike Cowburn, Rev Duncan Bell, Rev Marc Wolverson, Rev David Whitehouse, David Marston and Linda Barnes.

3) <u>Minutes of the 2019 AGM</u> having been circulated electronically with the Agenda were approved.

4) <u>Matters arising</u> – Peter confirmed that a Savings Account had been opened for the Furniture Van A/C, this was necessary to be able to apply for Grants in the future.

5) <u>Election of Officers</u> – There is no need to hold an election as all three positions still have 1 year to run. Nominations will be needed before the next AGM.

6) <u>Chair's Review</u> – sent out by email. Teresa said the Good Friday Service had been a great way of bringing people together, despite lock-down.

Ellen advised there were still some packs that had been put together. Teresa asked if anyone could think of how CTL could support Care Homes and relatives especially because for many visiting is still not permitted.

Teresa encouraged all CTL ministers and reps to support the 'Easyfunding' scheme which will help to raise funds for the Furniture Scheme van.

The Furniture Scheme is back running but with a reduced service.

7) Treasurers Review - sent out by e-mail.

In future Petrol receipts for the Furniture Van will be shown in the Accounts. The Balance sheets were approved.

Pete explained that money had not been transferred or banked as he has been shielding.

8) <u>**CTL Constitution**</u> – The 5 year review was due at this AGM, but because of the current situation will be postponed until 2021 AGM.

9) <u>CHURCHES RESPONSIBILITIES</u> – Previous to current restrictions, a rotation of Churches to host the different CTL services was the norm, but current guidelines limiting numbers now makes this difficult.

The larger churches will be contacted about hosting events if restrictions make this possible.

10) **<u>FUTURE EVENTS INFORMATION</u>** – all subject to Government Guidelines.

Preparation for Fareshare Collection at Tesco. Teresa will contact Tesco in October to see if CTL help is required.

Lancashire Sings Christmas, the date is on the website, though with singing at events still not possible it is unlikely this event will happen.

Leyland Christmas Festival, Christine will find out from SRBC if this event is going ahead. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th JANUARY 2021

it is hoped to hold services on 18th/20th/22nd January 2021. The Baptist church will lead the main service on 24th January 2021 but a larger church to host the service may be required. A decision about this will be made in November before the CTL meeting.

World Day of Prayer on 6thMarch 2021 is to be hosted by St Mary's.

Good Friday Service – Midge Hall and Leyland Methodist to arrange Good Friday worship, Following the success of last year's Good Friday service on Radio Leyland it was suggested that if services are not possible in churches, CTL explore the possibility of radio broadcasts.

11) **<u>GROUP REPORTS</u>** – circulated prior to meeting

No comments raised

12) <u>AOB</u>

Father Jonathan is hoping to lead a Service/Meeting into the effects that Covid has had on Worship and to reflect what difference it has made.

Christine is to attend a URC Workshop - 'The New Normal' and will share the findings. Barbara advised that Rev. Graham Ashworth is leaving St Ambrose in September and and Rev. Duncan Clarke retires in November. Teresa will contact them and thank them for their contribution to CTL and wish them well.

<u>CLOSING PRAYER</u> - Martin and Teresa closed the meeting with a reflection and prayer.

PROPOSED DATES FOR FUTURE MEETING - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

 TUESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2020 7.30pm
 VENUE – ST. MARY'S

 WEDNESDAY 24TH MARCH 2021 7.30pm
 VENUE – TBA

 THURSDAY 10TH JUNE 2021 7.30pm
 VENUE – TBA

 MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2021 AGM 7.30pm
 VENUE – TBA