

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LEYLAND**  
**Minutes of the meeting Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at St Ambrose**

- 1) Welcome and Prayers Chairman Teresa opened the meeting and Prayers were led by Rita Braithwaite and Robert Haydock.  
Teresa welcomed Sandra Crawford to the meeting

Prayers at the AGM will be by David Marston from Leyland Methodist

- 2) Attendance and apologies

Present:

Baptist Church : Sandra Crawford

Holy Apostles: Rebecca Higgs

Leyland Methodist: David Marston

Midge Hall Methodist: Muriel Butler

St Ambrose: Rev Duncan Clarke, Robert & Eileen Haydock, Rita Braithwaite

St Andrew's : Edna Finch

St Mary's RC Church: Fr Jonathan Cotton, Teresa & Martin Smith

United Reformed Church: Christine Holmes, Eddie Reynolds

St James : Nerys Brown, Maddy Parkinson

St Johns: Peter Fitton

Apologies:

Leyland Methodist: Kathryn Grannell, Linda Barnes

St. Ambrose : Rev Graham Ashworth

St Andrews: Margaret Dixon

St Mary's : Mike Cowburn

St James': Rev Marc Wolverson

St Johns' : Rev Barbara Wilson

Midge Hall Methodist : Deacon Ellen Monk-Winstanley

- 3) Minutes of the last meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 read and signed by Teresa

- 4) Matters Arising: The Minute Secretary apologised that Attendance & Apologies were incorrectly minuted and should have read that Margaret Dixon and Edna Finch were in attendance; that Rev Duncan Ball had sent his apologies. Nerys Brown had been given the surname Hughes!

It was noted that Kate Jordan and Diane Barnard had attended the May meeting as observers. Members of Church congregations are welcome to attend CTL meetings but only nominated Reps are eligible to vote.

Teresa mentioned that Nelson & Colne College are running a 'Dementia Friends' Course in the Library at St Marys on WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 9.30 until 12.

- 5) PAST EVENTS -

LEYLAND FESTIVAL – Thanks were extended to Barbara Lang from St Johns for co-ordinating Churches taking part, to Eileen & Jack Cuerden for the marquee. Clear signage on Tent requested to say Churches Together in Leyland. It is needed as 'Messy Church' is not always understood by the public as being CTL. More thought needed about organising in future.

ONE VOICE CHOIR – The first fundraising event was held at St Johns' on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, a total of £286.55 was raised. Thanks to all who helped.

6) FUTURE EVENTS

Quiz and Hot Pot Supper Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at St Mary's Parish Centre. Details and poster and tickets to follow by email. Raffle Prizes will be needed, all churches will be asked to supply one raffle prize.

Future fund raising events include Flower Arranging workshop at Leyland Methodist in November. Other events for 2020/21 under discussion

The AGM is on MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> September at St. Andrew's 7.30pm The theme - Future of Churches Together Leyland will be explored. What do we as Reps and Churches contribute? and How can CTL make more impact on our Congregations? The dates and times of future CTL meetings will be discussed.

Anton Muller from Churches Together in Lancashire will preach at Leyland URC on SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 10.30 am. He has offered to preach at any church on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

7) OUTREACH - CTL LEAFLET copies of the leaflet passed to reps for comment.

**CHECK DETAILS AND REPORT ANY ALTERATIONS TO MARTIN SMITH ASAP**

The Graphic design of the new leaflet will be slightly altered in line with the discussions this evening.

8) FURNITURE SCHEME VAN REPLACEMENT & FUND RAISING

Teresa has spent a great deal of time and energy during the past year applying for Grants – amounts of £1,000 to £15,000-£20,000 our requirements did not fit certain criteria e.g. Police Commissioners Grant funding.

Some applications had a time limit and others were for small amounts. All had vast amounts of paperwork. A broadcast on Leyland Radio is in hand. Teresa will continue to make applications. The meeting provide lots of suggestions which Teresa will follow up in the coming months.

9) CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LANCASHIRE

Teresa will continue to circulate any information she receives as it arrives.

10) AOB

Sandra Crawford reported that her husband Tony has stepped down from his role at the Baptist Church to pursue another career, Liz Hamilton a Student, will be joining them as Minister.

She also asked if any Churches were running Holiday Hunger Initiatives during the school holidays. Teresa advised that the Food Bank increase parcels for families during the Summer Holidays. This needs to be co-ordinated for next year and will be discussed at the next meeting.

**THE CAB WILL BE AT THE FOODBANK ON 29<sup>TH</sup> JULY BETWEEN 10AM – 12**

Teresa will send a letter of thanks to Rev Phil Gough of Leyland Methodist Church as he takes up his position of Superintendent Minister of the Chorley & Leyland District. She and Martin were privileged to attend his Farewell Party from his congregation and is sorry she cannot attend his last Service due to her imminent hip operation.

11) The meeting closed by all present saying the CTL Prayer and The Grace.

**AGM at ST ANDEWS CHURCH on MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 7.30pm**