

Notes from Parish Council Meeting
21 May, 2017.

- 1. Church Doors:** The doors have now been fitted and many people have commented on their suitability and the beauty of their construction. They provide a much better barrier to the wind and allow the church to remain warmer. Many thanks to Sandy White for his excellent handling of the project. It was noted that the doors have already been defaced by someone with a marker pen. Fortunately this writing was quickly removed.
- 2. Conservation Management:** Parish Council is awaiting a report from the engineer about cracking in brickwork of the church.
- 3. Development of the Site:** No further information has been received from the Diocese on this matter. Parish Council will continue to seek information.
- 4. Baptism:** A small group of parishioners is providing welcome to those who come to us for baptism. This is a very valuable ministry.
- 5. Composition of the Parish Council:** This matter is proceeding.
- 6. Development of the Manuka area and Manuka Oval:** Robert Deane has attended meetings organised by the Government about these developments. We are continuing to monitor progress.
- 7. Securing the site:** Several security incidents occurred in the previous months.
- 8. Letter** sent to Stephen Byron thanking him for the work of repairing the lych gate damaged by vandals.
- 9. Rector's Report:** The Rector reported record numbers at Easter. A Heritage Tour was recently conducted by the Rector. Evensong on 18 June will have a focus on the work of St John Ambulance and on 15 October on the work of the Bible Society with an exhibition of historic Bibles in the church. The ceiling in the New Rectory recently collapsed and was repaired at a cost of over \$4,000.
- 10. St David's:** A significant leak in the water pipes is being repaired. Problems with the front doors are continuing and action is being taken to rectify this problem. The MOU with Anglicare is presently being renegotiated. A movie night will be held soon. Lenten studies were very successful and will continue on Thursdays at 11.15. Successful contact between the Close and Red Hill Primary has been made.

Brian Douglas
Presiding Member of Parish Council
1 June, 2017.