

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BOSCOMBE.**  
**Minutes of Meeting July 14<sup>th</sup> 2011.**  
**St James Church**

- Members present: -Denis Blackledge, Bob Vernon, Kate Harris, Miranda O’Gara, Jo Harmsworth, Neil Houlton, Sue Gowling, James Rodley, Maurice Hawkes, Martin Bedford, Geoff Carpenter, Maurice Hawkes, Valerie Goulding, Connie Hazell,
- Chaired by Neil Houlton
- Item 1 – Opening Prayer and welcome.
- Item 2 - Apologies were read out. Peter Myleschreer, , John Dodwell, Marilyn Smith, Geraldine Elliot Smith, Alison Overton, Rosemary Horrell, Handel Everett, Peter Wilcocks
- Item 3 - Minutes of last meeting were read, and signed
- Item 4 – Matters arising  
St Clements and All Saints have appointed Rev, Michael Powys, priest in charge. The induction will take place on September 20<sup>th</sup> and everyone is invited.
- Item 5 – Bournemouth Collegiate  
Steven Duckitt, Headteacher, invites CTIB for tea, talk and a tour. The Collegiate has 250 students and is keen for Year 10 to be involved in the community. A chaplain is sought, maybe chaplaincy team - a voluntary post. Team could include lay people. CTIB were asked to consider this and circulate to members. CRB req’d. **Action:** Neil to liaise.  
Corpus Christi have appointed a full time Youth Minister from September. This person has experience of working in schools. The post is for 3 years.
- Item 6 - Boscombe Angels Update  
The team are well received by those they meet on the street.  
Teen Challenge are from Poole, have had no liaising with the local groups, but now appearing on the Precinct. **Action:** Alison to be in touch. A meeting between the Vineyard, Bournemouth Street Services, Boscombe Angels and Team Challenge is to be arranged.  
Neil was recently on local radio & Sunday United Service and spoke of the BA Project. Neil, Kate & Geraldine are off to Hedge End on Saturday to a Southern Street Pastors/Angels conference. BA website still required.  
Steven Timms MP has extended an invitation to all Street Pastors/Angels at the Houses of Parliament. Neil and Kate to attend, together with Dick Gibbons and his wife Carmel.  
The BA Treasurer then brought the finances to the attention of the group, summarising income and expenses leaving a balance of £760. It was decided that a review of the accounts would be conducted at the next BA steering group meeting. **Action: Kate**
- Item 7 – United CTIB prayer walk around Boscombe  
Prayer meeting at Rosebery Park the prayer walk was very powerful . The next one will be at St George’s. This will be on Sat, September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011. **Action: Kate to advertise.**
- Item 8 – Open the Book.  
2 classes in 1 morning from Sept. New volunteers coming in - more welcome. They rehearse on a Tuesday and then go into schools on the Wednesday.
- Item 9 – Olympic torch, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2012.  
This will be a time for offering hospitality and celebration while the torch is in town. Neil will get in contact with the council and, perhaps an ecumenical choir could sing during the lighting of the cauldron.

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The town centre manager should also be contacted and the associated website should be looked at for more information. Southbourne Churches Together could join CTIB on this? **Action: Neil**

➤ Item 10 – Christmas Carols on the Precinct

This year's will take place December 17<sup>th</sup> 2011, 11-12 noon. The precinct manager needs to be contacted.

**Action: Kate**

Rumours of Angels - a Christian musical - will take place in the week leading up to December 17<sup>th</sup>, in the square

Christmas Market stall in Bournemouth will take place again. Hope to have a better position for takings. It was felt that the Christmas cards were too expensive and stall stayed open to late. Contact Sheila Dameon (check name at next meeting).

➤ Item 11 - AOB :

- Treasurer's Report shows that subs are still due.
- Neil gave his apologies in advance for not being able to attend the next meeting,
- Friends' Meeting House, the first quiet day went well. The next ones are August 11<sup>th</sup> and then September 20<sup>th</sup>.
- St Georges are celebrating their 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary from September. On September 4<sup>th</sup>, old parishioners are welcomed back at a service at 10.30 am.
- St Andrews will be running a marriage course in the autumn, sponsored by the Mother's Union
- Bournemouth Collegiate are putting on a concert, Westbourne Orchestra will take part, all kinds of music will be performed.
- Rosebery Park will run a holiday club for 5+ from August 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Chatterbox, the hearing support group for children, the parents get support and help through Dorset County Council takes place at Rosebery Park.
- On September 12<sup>th</sup>, St Clements have an Open Day. There will be music and refreshments and the opportunity of climbing the tower. All are invited.
- Neil was congratulated on completing his training.
- Big Green Believers' Agreement should be signed in November. Over 4 to 5 years of working together the number of groups has now grown to over 40.

**The meeting closed with a prayer.**

**Next Meeting Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup> 2011 St James' Church at 7.30 pm**

**United Service September 5<sup>th</sup> Corpus Christi at 5pm**