

Reports for PPC Meeting 1/4/19

Outreach Justice and Peace Report - Norma Daniels-Emm

In January St. Peter's hosted SCIAF as they introduced this year's Lenten Wee Box Appeal to local parishes.

At the beginning of March we held our annual Lenten Lunch in aid of SCIAF.

Fairtrade Fortnight was highlighted in the newsletter. We deferred the raffling of a Fairtrade Hamper for a couple of weeks as we did not want to clash with the fundraiser for Mary's Meals.

Readers - Peter Nicholson

There isn't much to report on the reading front, except that just today I heard of a new parishioner who is interested in reading. She has previous reading experience: we may be able to give her a duty during Holy Week. She may also be in a position to help out at weekday mass.

ST PETER'S PARISH PROPERTY COMMITTEE: SCHEDULE OF WORKS

WORKS COMPLETED/PLANNED IN 2019

(updated 21 March 2019)

Date	Contractor	Description	Notes
Weekly	Committee members	Fire alarm and emergency lighting testing	
Quarterly		Carbon monoxide detectors testing in presbytery and flat	Requirement under investigation
January	Alan Chalmers Ltd	Replace/refurbish upstairs guest toilet/shower	
	Blackwood Partnership, Consulting Engineers	Appointment as lead Consultant and Principal Designer on church heating project	
	Northern Steeplejacks Ltd	Annual inspection of lightning protection system	Invoice queried
January/February	J Balloch and Partners	Installation of air curtain fans at porch and church doors;	After review, job not proceeding meantime

		major new cabling required	
February	Committee members	Clearance of basement and disposal of junk and unwanted material	
	Property Administrator	Presentation to Parish Pastoral Council on proposed new church heating system	
	Alan Chalmers Ltd and others	Investigate blocked drains at presbytery back door. Scottish Water called out twice.	SW decided blockage within the curtilage
	FreshStart	Portable electric appliance testing (PAT) completed in church, parish room, house and flat	In future: yearly church & parish room; 2-yearly house & flat
	Nicholson Bros	Minor works: remove heater in St Andrew chapel, install 2-way socket for music group, repair fan heater in toilet	
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February	Blackwood Consultants	On site, detailed survey of boilers and general distribution routes	
	Aardvark Art	John Duncan mural <i>Mythological Scenes</i> rolled, with frame and stretchers, removed to Scottish National Archive storage	
	Blackwood Consultants	On site, detailed survey of boilers and general distribution routes	

	Property Administrator	Development of long-term plans to fulfil recommendations in Hutton + Rostron report	Underway
February/March	Alan Chalmers Ltd	Excavation around church walls for drainage channels and laying “French drains” for water extrication (ref 2.5 in Hutton + Rostron report)	Underway – completion expected by mid April
	Property Administrator	Search of parish and Archdiocesan records for papers relating to removal of asbestos from church 2011-2013. Possible residual asbestos requiring removal before heating works start.	
March	Alan Chalmers Ltd and John Taylor Ltd	Further investigation of blocked drains in Falcon Gardens concluded blockage in trap on pavement outside the church curtilage.	
	Scottish Water	After 2 further visits, Scottish Water accepted Chalmers/Taylor findings. Pavement trap unblocked, church drains flowing freely.	Hooray!
	Blackwood Consultants	Received first set of draft drawings etc and fee drawdown proposal. Property Committee responded with comments and questions	

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March	Alan Chalmers Ltd	Repointing on east roof, and measures to prevent water overflow from top of tower	
	Alan Chalmers Ltd	Installation of 3 double swift nesting boxes under the eaves on the north wall of the church. (Project endorsed by Eco-congregation Group)	Box and installation costs met by residents of Newbattle Terrace
	Property Administrator	Presentation to open parish meeting on plans for new church heating system	7pm Tuesday 26 March
April onwards	Various contractors	Further works to carry out recommendations in the Hutton + Rostron report	
April	Blackwood Consultants	Invitation to tender issued to contractors	
May/June	Blackwood Consultants	Contract issued to main contractor	
	Committee members	Annual simulated emergency evacuation	
June to October	Main contractor	Work on site to install new heating system	Overseen by Blackwoods
September (if required)	Lothian Heating Ltd	Annual gas boilers & heating systems inspection	Depends on progress on new heating system
November	Northern Steeplejacks	Annual inspection of lightning protection system	
Not yet scheduled		Safety improvements to Sanctuary	Needs full specification. High priority

