

Minutes of Ecclesiastical Assembly
Of St Brelade's Parish Church
Held in St Brelade's Parish Hall
On Wednesday 26th September 2012

1. **Purpose of the Meeting:**

Rev'd Mark Bond read out the Convening Notice explaining the purpose of the meeting.

2. **To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Ecclesiastical Assembly held on 31st May 2012**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st May 2012 were read out and approved.

Proposed by: Amy Mathys

Seconded by: Norman Moss

3. **Church Re-Lighting**

Churchwarden, Eddie Cuthbert, presented the plans from Hartigans, demonstrating where the lights would be positioned within the church building. The new lighting would comprise of a 3way system whereby the church could just be lit by uplighters, or by downlighters, or both together. The bulbs will be 35watt bulbs and the lighting made up by 20 uplighters and 23 downlighters and 3 lights outside the church entrances. The church will also need re-wiring of the lighting system as the old pyro cable is still in place. Two quotes have been received:

A. Cornish Ltd	£33,789
Leonards	£38,308

Although they are more expensive Leonards are the preferred contractor of choice as they already look after the lighting and electrics in church and therefore they know what they will be taking on. The church has undertaken to cover the difference between Cornish's tender and Leonard's tender of £4,500 in order to bring down the amount requested to £33,789. The church will also be fund raising to cover the cost of the light fittings which are approximately £200 each, totalling approximately £8,000. The wiring in the Vestry is a bit of an unknown until they start work, due to the strange set up in existence.

It was requested by Denise Waller that the final accounts be very clear as to the split between the wiring costs and the electric light fittings costs. At the Parish Assembly it was accepted that the Parish would pay for the wiring costs, so therefore the accounts should be very clear on this. This was agreed.

Mike Jackson asked whether moving the electrical fuse box etc to the back of the church would compromise the audio system, but it was assured that it would not. It was noted that at some stage in the future the church will need to pay to re-do the hearing loop system and to remove all the old tv wiring.

Rev Mark Bond clarified again that the Parish will only be paying for the wiring of the church (which will also include the costs of scaffolding etc). The maximum that the Parish will pay will be £35,000 but it is hoped that it will be less.

Peter Norman asked whether it would be possible for the electricians to separate the invoices for the lighting fittings on one invoice and the wiring costs on another invoice.

The Rector and the Churchwardens asked that this resolution be accepted, and for it to be taken to Ecclesiastical Court.

The following was proposed by Arthur Morley:

That we accept Hartigan's specification for the re-lighting of the Parish Church; and we accept the tender from Leonard's Lighting and the this proposal be submitted to Ecclesiastical Court for a faculty.

Seconded by Amy Mathys

A vote was taken unanimously in favour of the resolution.

4. **Ratification of Dean's Licence**

A new Children's area has been created at the back of church. There have not been any negative comments received on this area; in fact it is very well used during Weddings and Baptisms especially. The Bench is very useful in the Fishermen's Chapel. The new cupboard is in keeping with the rest of the woodwork in the church.

The Assembly authorised the Rector and Churchwardens to make an Application to the Ecclesiastical Court for a Faculty seeking the ratification of works carried out under a Dean's Licence:

1. The removal and storage of three pews at the rear of the north aisle,
2. The relocation of a bench from the entrance to the Fishermen's Chape
3. The installation of matching carpet to the newly created children's area,
4. Place a new cupboard at the east end of the children's area.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.35pm