

Lewes LM Meeting for Worship for Church Affairs 29th April 2018

Minutes

18.18 Opening worship

During our opening worship QF&P 29.19 was read.

19.18 Appointment of representatives to AM

We appoint John Ashcroft and Grace Blaker to attend; John will report to the meeting.

20.18 The pilot good cause: Homelink

At Meeting for Worship for Church Affairs, on March 4th, minute 12.18, this meeting agreed that we would go ahead with a new approach to good causes and pilot a new system for collecting donations. We thank Needlemakers Circle for their very successful work, raising funds for Homelink. They have created an account book in which to record donations; it will be kept in a pigeon hole near the Meeting House door. The circle has provided excellent guidance for the future, which will be kept inside the account book. This guidance will include all aspects of the collection process.

During May, Jeff Matthews will be collecting donations to help cover the cost of the new steps between the corridor room and the hallway. These will improve accessibility for all those who have found the old steps difficult to negotiate. During June and July the good cause will be the Green Olive Trust. Later, in November-December, Patricia Cockrell and Prison Area Circle will be collecting for Salt of the Earth, which supports rural development projects in India, focusing on women's empowerment, income generation, health, education and environmental preservation.

We agree to go ahead on this basis for the foreseeable future. We trust that new groups will come forward, especially to cover September and October. For the time being the clerk will ensure that all necessary procedures are being followed.

21.18 SPRIG: the title

We agree to consider this matter further and bring suggestions to the Meeting for Worship for Church Affairs on June 3rd.

22.18 SEAM trustees

We note that the SEAM clerk says "We urgently need to find at least two Friends in addition to those already serving. It having been difficult to find names to bring forward we need to take this as an urgent matter to Local Meetings." Whilst we understand the need for more trustees, the existing five trustees include three from Lewes Meeting so

the need is most probably to find trustees from other meetings in the Area.

Clerks: Nancy Wall, John Thurley