



Christ the King

with St. Augustine's

& Our Lady
of Lourdes



14, Westhill Road, Coundon, Coventry, CV6 2AA

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234216

Finance meeting Thursday June 18th 2015

Present: Fr Tom, Dave Parnell, Colin Fisher, Pat Sheehan, Con McHugh.

Apologies: Paula Dolan, Marina Berry, John Rock, Will Carr

Agenda:

1. Future planning for Parish Community Centre
2. Future planning for Parish Sports Centre
3. Plans for front of Christ the King Church
4. Promoting Parish finances and Gift Aid after summer holidays
5. Plans for one-site school for Christ the King
6. AOB

Notes/Minutes:

Fr Tom opened the meeting with a prayer at 7.30.

The minutes from the previous meeting in March were accepted

1. Future planning for Parish Community Centre

The club is leased on a 5 year term to the Club Manager. In this case Frank Keogh. The lease has 1 more year to run. Frank has been asked what he intends and he has indicated that he does not want another 5 year lease, but that he would consider extending for a possible 2 years whilst reducing his workload. This could include training up / handing over to an assistant manager, followed by a period overseeing with reducing working hours. A 6 month notice period was also discussed. The new position of assistant manager was discussed and agreed. It was agreed to proceed with reflecting the above in a suitable contract for Frank and an assistant manager role.

2. Future planning for Parish Sports Centre

The Sports Centre is on a 10 year lease and is run as Social enterprise non-profit making company. The rent is reviewed every 4 years. The facilities are used by the schools and many clubs associated with the Parish and this will continue. The total Grants received for the work to date are almost £150k, which is greater than originally expected. There are ongoing conditions that need to be fulfilled associated with the Grants. Most of the major work is now complete with some decorating in the foyer to be completed and improvements to the external appearance to the club. There will be a public open day to thank the sponsors and to show the facilities to the people in the area.

3. Plans for front of Christ the King Church

The front of the church has been modified many times since the church was built with really considering the overall appearance. There style is Romanesque characterised by semi-circular arches, but with no symmetry at the front. A plan view of the front of the church is shown on the following pages, as well as some indication with what could be done at a reasonable cost. Several options were discussed. It was agreed to proceed with the feasibility of such changes with Dave Parnell discussing options with local builders/designers.

4. Promoting Parish finances and Gift Aid after summer holidays

There was discussion on holding an open day in September or October after the summer when everything returns to normal. This would provide for people to come in and have a look around. This was agreed.

Promoting of Gift aid was also discussed, with a view to increase awareness with what the Parish gives in return for weekly contributions. This includes the various parish groups that exist and use parish facilities. This would also be done after the summer. Gift Aid envelopes for visitors are also available in the church.

5. Plans for one-site school for Christ the King

Fr Tom explained that this idea was in the early stages of being looked. The existing Junior school is in need of maintenance, more so than the older Infants school. Combining two schools on one site is a Government initiative with associated funding. There would also be lower running costs for a single site school. The chosen site would be Scots lane. The new building would be still be owned by the School Trustees.

There was some discussion on what would become of the Infant school. This included possible development into Sheltered Accommodation with nursing facilities.

6. AOB

2 items were discussed:

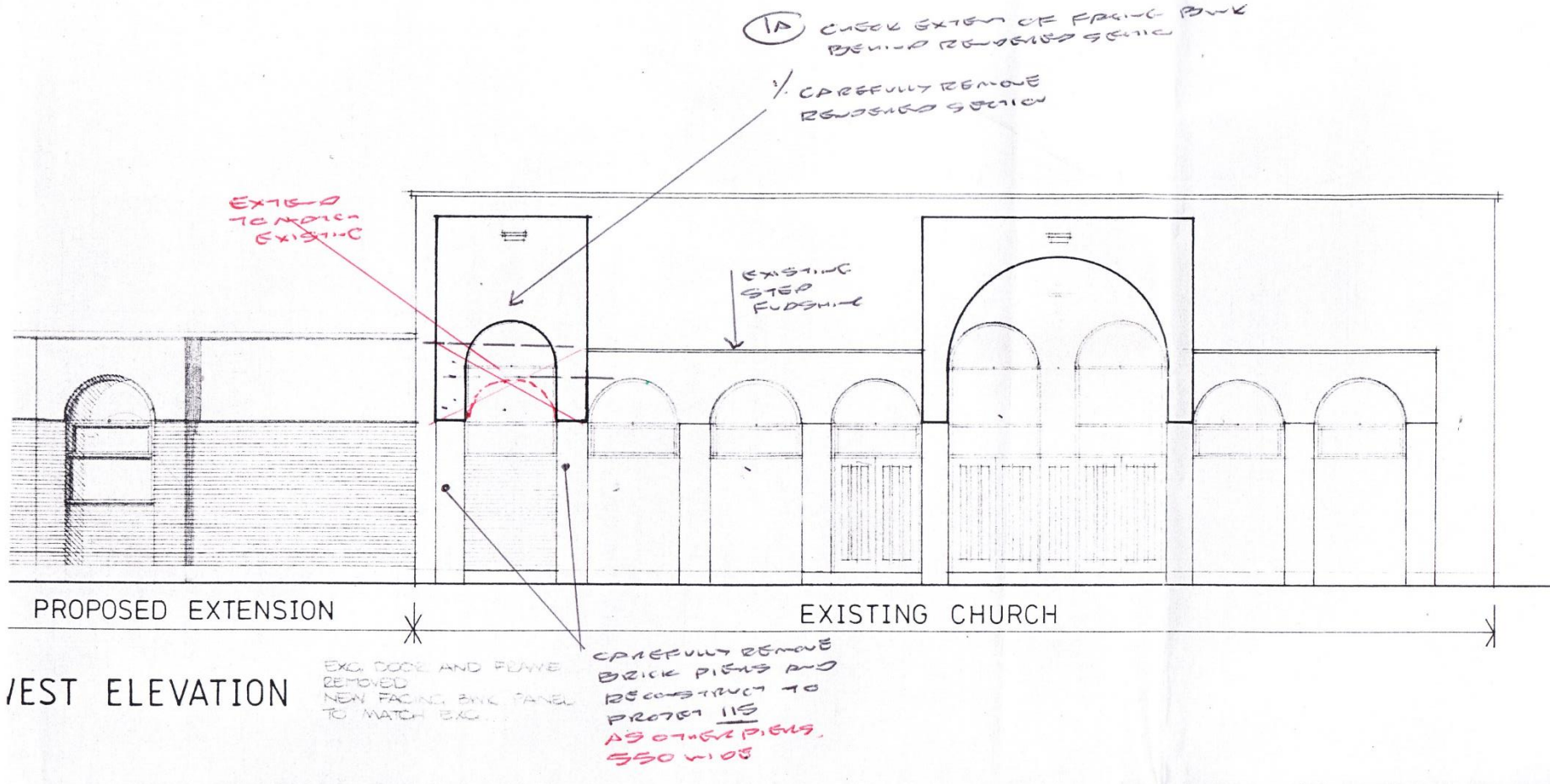
1. **Defibrillator for use in the church.** Dave explained that the football team are also looking at purchasing for their sports fields. It was agreed to get costs for an additional unit and then to decide how to proceed.
2. **The use of solar energy** with economic, environment and social benefits. This idea was discussed and it was agreed that Con move this forward by finding out what options exist.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

Next meeting: Thursday, September 24th 7.30pm

Front Elevation of Church – as showing areas being considered.

F



Front Elevation of Church – how it could look

