Islington chapter: NOTES

8 Mar 2018 8.30-10.30am

Hope Church, St David's, Westbourne Road

Present *Apologies

Simon Harvey	Emma Loveridge*	Rayner Wakeling	Jeremy Hobson	April Keech
Steve Clarke	Liz Clutterbuck*	John Beauchamp*	Pete James	Rock Sturt*
Tamsin Merchant	Alexandra Lilley*	Margaret Evans*	Pete Hughes*	Rob Merchant
Michael Learmouth*	John Burniston*	Stephen Coles*	Pete Nicholas*	Catherine Carlyon
Ted Fell	Dave Tomlinson*	Christopher Trundle*	Mark Jackson	Tola Badejo
Mark Fletcher*	Martin Wroe	Peter Bernhard	Sarah MacDonald	Jess Swift
Gabriel Anstis*	David Bird	Alexander McGregor	Caroline Shuttleworth*	Jo Davies
Tania Witter*	Paul Zaphiriou	David Allen*	Pauline Nashishibi	

12 clergy present

We welcome Fiona Green (Stepney Intern Scheme) and Robin Isherwood (Chaterhouse chaplain). We welcomed Jo Davies who will be joining us when possible to keep the link with Pentonville Prison strong. Huge gratitude to Paul, Sarah and Hope Church for their hospitality.

Agenda

8.30 arrive & breakfast

8.45-9.20am Morning prayer, update on Hope Church, Fiona Green update for Intern Scheme

9.30-10.20 Robin Isherwood on retirement

10.20-10.30 notices

Stepney Intern Scheme

It is happening again next year. It continues to be a hugely positive experience for both the interns and the parishes they are a part of. Steve Clarke spoke warmly of their experience at St Andrew's Whitehall Park. Fiona is currently receiving applications for those interested in become Interns. There are 8/9 places next year. Part of the aspiration for the scheme is to have 'internal interns', so if there is anyone in your congregation who would be interested in becoming an intern get in touch with Fiona ASAP.

If you would like to submit an application for your parish to receive an intern, please express an interest to Fiona in the **next two weeks**. All paperwork has already been sent around to clergy and can also be found on their website.

Retirement

Revd Robin Isherwood led us in a very fruitful discussion around retirement. There are currently 40 retired clergy in Stepney, 1/4 of whom are living in the Chaterhouse or St James' Close. We were first invited to imagine being retired - easier for some than others! Roughly there are three strands to consider: long term financial planning, considering what ministry you will want in retirement, and familiarising yourself with necessary information from the Pensions Board.

Some contacts:

Financial Conduct Authority: www.fca.org.uk

Retired clergy association of the CofE: https://rcacoe.org Church of England Pensions Board Housing: 020 7898 1831

Clergy Pensions: www.churchofengland.org/more/pensions/clergy-pensions

Retirement planning: www.churchofengland.org/more/pensions/retirement-planning

Retirement housing: www.churchofengland.org/more/pensions/retirement-housing

Notices

- Good Friday Processions: at the Angel 12pm or Navigator Square 12.30pm
- Please pray for Pentonville Prison chaplaincy, who are interviewing on 28 Mar
- Project 328: bank of women speakers (see their website)
- licensing at St Johns Upper Holloway 28 June 7pm, at Christ Church Highbury 5 July
- Islington Gratitude Event Fri 16 Mar 6-8.30pm at the Business Design Centre

Next meetings:

Chapter: 3 May 3-5.30pm Christ Church Highbury, where we welcome Bishop Sarah

Synod: 15 Mar 2018 Deanery Synod 7 for 7.30pm at St Mark's Tollington