

**Diocese of Shrewsbury-Local Pastoral Area 12
(Comprising the parishes of Frodsham and Runcorn)**

**Minutes of LPA Meeting held on Thursday 14th January 2010
At St Luke's - Frodsham**

Present

Fr. George Malecki (Chairperson)	St. Augustine's
Fr. Peter Wright	St. Edward's
Fr. Jonathan Mitchell	Holy Spirit and St. Martin's
Father Bill Harrison	
Monsignor Peter O'Neill	
Father Colin Wilson	
Father Peter Robertson	
John Grice	St. Augustine's
Chris Cunningham (Lay rep Chair)	Our Lady's
Sr. Teresa	Diocesan Children's Society
Lilian Brocklesby	Holy Spirit
Phil Hallman	School Representative
Pauline Stitt	St. Luke's
Helen Bailey	St. Martin's
Margaret Scowcroft	St. Edward's

	Minutes	Action to be taken
01/01/10	Meeting commenced with welcome and opening prayer	
02/01/10	Apologies for absence Deacon Deryck Sankey Our Lady's (an email has been received from Deryck updating LPA on his rehabilitation) Andrew Keeley	
03/01/10	Minutes of the last meeting <u>9/11/12</u> should read St. Clements and not St. Edwards. Phil's surname spelt incorrectly. Otherwise accepted as a correct record.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes to be amended accordingly
04/01/10	Matters arising <u>05/11/09</u> Fr Peter Wright has approached 2 parishioners about being the LPA Catechetical Representative, but both have declined. <u>06/11/09</u> Confirmation- Fr Peter Wright, Jonathan Mitchell and William Harrison were thanked for their involvement in preparing the candidates for this Sacrament. Fr Jonathan Mitchell thanked for Hosting the celebration. <u>09/11/09</u> Churches Together-Everything organised, with exception of music, but one of teachers will play the guitar as Tony Garrigan has injury.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be followed up

	<p>St. Luke's also hosting an event at 7.30p.m. on 25/01/10</p> <p>10/11/09 LPA Pilgrimage to Walsingham-cheques to be made payable to St. Edwards Parish. There are 17 places left-no seat without the deposit.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish reps to liaise directly with Fr. Peter Wright.
05/01/10	<p>Confirmation 2010/2011</p> <p>St Luke's-Frodsham having Confirmation on 24.11.10.</p> <p>It was asked at the last meeting if it there was any possibility of Confirmation being a joint activity across the LPA. Given that Saint Luke's celebrate the sacrament every two years, it was proposed that the Runcorn parishes celebrate Confirmation in the intervening years.</p>	
06/01/10	<p>Lent 2010</p> <p>Main issue the Station Masses-they are to remain at 7.30pm.</p> <p>On the days that Station Masses are held, parishes are encouraged to make this the only celebration of the day. This policy would be an opportunity to emphasize the importance of coming together as an LPA, rather than seeing LPA activities as optional extras over and above the individual parish.</p> <p>Discussions included the incorporation of St. Chad's and it was agreed that this would be best served by contact between the school and the individual parishes, inviting the participation in particular of the students of the parish hosting each Station gathering.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fr. George to prepare the rota in consultation with fellow clergy
07/01/10	<p>Mission Statement and Constitution</p> <p>The draft Mission Statement was distributed and agreed that comments be sent Pauline to incorporate into next draft.</p> <p>The work on the Constitution to be carried forward.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPA Team to forward comments, suggestions and modifications to Pauline.
08/01/10	<p>Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Schools – Four of Runcorn's Catholic Primary schools are still looking for a new Head Teacher. The Heads themselves are due to meet shortly. Phil highlighted the need for realism about the way forward, and the need to be open and ready to look at and embrace different models. General discussion on Catholicity • Catechetical- Fr. Peter Wright highly recommends the CAFÉ DVD used in St. Edward's in November • Catholic Children's Society- Sr. 	

	Teresa thanked everyone for the money received from the Raffle and Social. Fr. George asked that the amount be recorded at the next meeting. The Bereavement Support Worker has been inundated with work but is doing very well.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amount to be entered in next minutes.
09/01/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LPA Newsletter Discussion on the Structure and Content was held. Some clarity required as to what the newsletter was for and the direction in which the newsletter should now move. Some felt that it needed to be more 'punchy' and newsy with some clip art. Suggestions for a Children's puzzle page. The good work that has been undertaken so far was acknowledged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be taken back to Editorial Group and discuss modifications
10/01/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justice and Peace Reported that Fair Trade can now be managed for 4 Parishes. CAFOD having usual special Fast Day during Lent. 	
11/01/10	2009 Review/2010 Aims and Objectives This item to be carried over to next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be placed on March Agenda
12/01/10	LPA Team Meal Chris Cunningham to arrange.	
13/01/10	Joint Fund Currently £50.00 in debit Agreed that £100.00 be given by each Parish for the Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clergy to forward Cheques to Fr. George
14/01/10	Any Other Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Our Lady's Lourdes Pilgrimage 23/08/10 for 7 nights-see Newsletter on Website II. Agreed to send a card to Bishop elect Mark Davies 	
15/01/10	<u>Closing Prayer</u>	

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