OLSG Fabric & Finance Committee

Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday 28 February 2023
(Postponed from 7/2/2023)

Present: Fr Joseph Boyle, John Graham, Paul Mc Bride, Kathleen McGowan

The meeting commenced with a prayer.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved

1. **Finances**.

   (i) For the period ending 31/1/2023 the Main Parish Account closed at *£95,773.95.
   *The sum of £58,445 has been paid to the Archdiocese for our Annual Levy.
   (ii) The Hall account for the same period stood at *£25,038.16.
   *The Archdiocese Levy for this account was £2,023.
   (iii) It was agreed that a sum of £70,000 would be deposited in the bank for a fixed period of one year at an interest rate of 3.5%

2. **Gift Aid**

   Kathleen McGowan has informed us that she has arranged a meeting with the Archdiocese to learn more on how the new computer system operates. It was agreed that a notice be placed in the Parish Bulletin encouraging tax paying parishioners to sign up to the Gift Aid Scheme.

3. **Solar Panels.**

   After investigations by Fr Boyle regarding the cost/savings benefits involved in installing solar panels it was agreed not to pursue this project at this time.

4. **Hall Matters**

   (i) Fr Boyle and Paul McBride will fit the new motor to the emergency fire door located in the Bar/Kitchen corridor in the coming weeks.

(ii) It would appear that the lintel panel of the main roller shutter door will have to be removed to ascertain if a manual override is fitted. Paul McBride and John Graham will investigate.

5. Knights of St Columba

We have had no further contact with KSC. They are in the process of closing down their offices on Hillington Road South. It is believed they are renting offices at the Archdiocese in Clyde St at a cost of £6,000 per annum.

6. Electrical Inspections.

Electrical inspections are required for the Parish House and the Church as the current certification has expired. John Graham will contact Barry Freel and enquire if he is qualified and available to carry out such inspections..

7. AOCB

It has been noted that some members of the craft club have expressed a wish to have arm rests on their chairs. This would allow them to sit and stand more easily.

The meeting concluded with a prayer.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 9th May 2023 @ 7.00pm