Churches Together in Settle and District AGM Minutes Tuesday 16 October 2018 at 7pm Friends Meeting House

Present: Joy Orwell (Chair), Sally Waterson (Secretary), Keith Waterson (Treasurer), Fr Frank Smith, Tony Hayton, Denise Hayton, Stuart Stobart, Tim Broughton, John Diggles, Edith Diggles, Dan Bavington, Ruth Bavington, Barbara Daley, John Raubenheimer, Maggie McSherry, Mark Houston, Judith Allinson, Alison Tyas, Marian Mc Nichol, Phil McNichol, Derek Hewitson, Mary Hewitson, Ursula Deith Woods, Jon Jackson, Cath Jackson.

Opening Devotions: Luke 4.18,19 'The Spirit of the Lord is on me...' for us to bring good news to our community.

- 1. Apologies: Stephen Dawson, Lesley Emsley, Richard Pike, Beryl James, Paul Cochrane.
- **2. Minutes of last AGM meeting:** Held on 17 October, 2017. These had been circulated, so were not read. They were approved and signed.
- 3. Secretary's Report, given by Sally Waterson

Reps' Meetings: 17 October 2017, 13 February 2018, 12 June 2018.

'Forget the former things ... See, I am doing a new thing!' Isaiah 43:18,19

This year has been one of change, on many fronts. We continue to seek God for the new things He has for us.

We have had our usual wide range of 'Together' activities, attempting to cover spiritual, social and service to the community events, as prescribed by our Constitution. Our Chair, Joy Orwell, commended HOPE18 to us: a national initiative to share our faith in our neighbourhood. She encouraged us to look for ways to do this during the year.

Our 'Regular events' have been:

- The monthly Prayer meeting (1st Monday) gathers to pray for the activities of CTISAD. This is still not well attended, but lays a foundation for our endeavours.
- Justice & Peace Group (2nd Wednesday) is thriving, with speakers and discussions on various topics of interest. The closure of our local Castleberg hospital has been overturned. There is now a focus on welcoming a refugee family to live in Settle. They also plan our One World Week event.
- Messy Church (3rd Sunday) has failed to attract local families (for an informal church experience, building relationships with hospitality), so was stopped over the summer. A new day will be trialled.
- Limestone View Songs of Praise (3rd Thursday) continues to be a blessing to both residents and others who join them in the Lounge.
- Anley Hall service (last Sunday) ran until June, but the leaders were requested by the Management to stop the meeting.
- The 'monthly events' notice is sent out with ctisad happenings to remind us all!

Through the year we have marked the Christian calendar together:

- We have publicised our Christmas greetings on CPO Publicity Posters: 'Jesus, Son of God'. We used a short
 greeting on the posters, with each church name printed. The main Services information was published in the
 local Community News.
- We held Community Carol singing outside Car & Kitchen, using our Bethlehem Carol sheets, on the last Tuesday before Christmas (Market day). Judith Allinson organised a Christmas Day lunch again.
- Lent was celebrated together by discussing 'Living an Authentic Life', which encouraged us to share our faith: the focus of HOPE 2018 which Joy Orwell has been highlighting.
- The main Easter witness was the Good Friday 'Journey to the Cross' passion play, with the return of last year's Jesus. It was well received with a large crowd following the action, and with the final scene in the Parish Church grounds being particularly powerful.
- We delivered an Easter greeting card to most households in the area, matching our church posters and information posters. We also gave out Good News newspapers with an Easter theme.
- We celebrated together at the Easter dawn service in the Millennium Garden, with the brazier providing a focal point as we sang. A simple breakfast was enjoyed at the Friends Meeting House.
- Pentecost was again not celebrated together this year.

We have also had the opportunity to join in various events through the year, and bring our friends:

- The Justice and Peace group organised the One World Week simple meal, with a talk by the Shared Interest Society.
- The Week of Prayer Unity Service didn't happen for various reasons. The simple lunch at Holy Ascension was held, with monies donated to Christian Aid.
- The Barn Dance was held at the Catholic Hall in April. 30 people came. Profits of £160 were given to the Red Cross in Bradford, to be used for refugees and asylum speakers.
- £2534 was donated by our local communities (including the villages) during Christian Aid Week. CTISAD achieved this through envelopes, Coffee Evening, street collection and quiz sheets. (No Big Brekkie this year!)
- The Justice and Peace group organised an open meeting entitled 'Could Settle host a refugee family?'. This
 was in response to an initiative which helps Refugee families re-settle in UK local communities. This has been
 adopted by a group of local people, who are working towards making this happen here.
- There was no family holiday provision this year.
- Songs of Praise was again not held.

On-going initiatives:

- The Ponder as you Wander leaflets are still being used they are taken mainly from the railway station, but are available at several venues around town and also from B&Bs.
- The God Loves You phone box advertises ctisad and other church events, using posters and leaflets.
- The display board on Duke St, by the Premier shop, also displays our church information sheet.

Comings and goings:

- Rev Hilary Young and Norman moved from Settle Parish at the beginning of July. Her replacement has yet to be appointed.
- Rev Stephen Normanton and Philippa also moved from Settle in July.
- Rev Tim Broughton is now in place at St John's Methodist Church.

Our website continues to be well used.www.ctisad.org

Let us continue to be God's children who will embrace the new things He is leading us into: together.

4. Treasurer's Report, given by Keith Waterson

From 1st Sept 2017 to 31st August 201	В	Income £	Expenditure £	Net Income £	Budget
Subscriptions and donations		969.00		000.00	800.00
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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity			75.00		
Unity leaflets and posters	Total		75.00	-75.00	100.00
Barn Dance	Total				
Ticket sales, donations and raffle		342.50			
Expenses Caller and food			182.50		
Profit to Bradford Refugees Red Cross			160.00		
	Total	342.50	342.50	0.00	150.00
Holiday Club					
	Total			0.00	-150.00
Messy Church					
Donations		117.92			
Expenses for food and craft materials			202.30	04.00	450.00
	Total	117.92	202.30	-84.38	-150.00
Lent and Easter			40.00		
Good News newspaper			42.00		
Lent booklets USPG donation			30.00		
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	Total	15.00	191.00	-176.00	-150.00
	Total	15.00	332.30	-332.30	-300.00
Advertising for Christmas and Easter			332.30	-332.30	-000.00
Insurance			205.14	-205.14	-180.00
Justice and Peace Group					
Collection for Calais refugee project		96.00	96.00		
	Total	96.00	96.00	0.00	0.00
Admin and Miscellaneous			10.00	-10.00	
	Total				-40.00
	Totals	1540.42	1369.24	86.18	80.00

RECONCILIATION

 Opening Bank balance 1st Sept 2017
 618.25
 Closing Bank Balance 31st August 2018
 691.81

 Opening Cash Surplus 2017/18
 18.46
 Cash in hand Surplus 2017/18
 31.08

 Funds available 31st August 2018
 722.89

Examined and approved by Ken Barton

Date 11/10/2018

Keith reported that donations include £108 from Big Breakfast & £26 from the Community Carol singing. Adoption of the Accounts was approved nem con. Our thanks to Keith were recorded.

Subscription Rate:

It was decided to keep the subscription rate the same this year (£50/£25) but to request an additional donation at each Church's discretion in order to cover our extra costs.

5. Web Editor's Report, given by Judith Allinson

www.ctidad.org.uk
I have been running the website since 2000. We currently receive 120 page views or 80 visits a month (2.7 visits a day) which is almost identical to last year.

(For comparison, St John's Methodist Church website gets 5 visits per day or 150 visits per month.)

Website and Emails

We continue to use free space allowed us by Daelnet, which is now spelt <u>Dalenet</u> (This URL is run by Simon Fern). Since October 2017 I sent out (In brackets previous two years):

- 6 (5) (5) "CTISAD news emails" to people on my "Church contacts"
- 20 (18) (20) "Events emails" to my long list (This includes people with secular interests as well as church interests, so is an opportunity to publicise a few selected events). This email is then copied onto http://www.settle.org.uk/category/local-news/

If you are not on my "Church contacts" email list I would be happy to add you. This is a separate list to the one Sally has for the CTISAD committee. I am happy to add people to my Events around Settle list.

Please tell me if you want to publicise events on the website or in my news email: I would like to help if I have time. The events need to be church events that you would like CTISAD people to come to – they don't have to be an official CTISAD event.

Please tell me how you would like to see the website updated, and tell me if you see mistakes.

We have to pay £11.98 incl VAT for the domain name ctisad.org.uk every two years - I paid in April 2018.

Every so often I update the Churches Together in Settle and District "Times of Services" leaflet, and print out a few leaflets. If you would like any leaflets please contact me. It is displayed in God Loves You box, Duke St noticeboard, and at the Tourist Information on Cheapside.

6. Chair's Report:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me Luke 4: 18

Last year Stephen encouraged us to have a shared vision and that has fitted with Hope 2018 – sharing Jesus and His Good News with the world.

That was the challenge – to share Jesus with friends and neighbours, over coffee and over lunch, everywhere. And we did. We shared Jesus at coffee mornings, some people have shared prayer times together and many opportunities have arisen to pray with people from other churches. It has been amazing to see the openings we have been given and to experience a real move of the Holy Spirit.

The One World Week meeting talked of ethical funding and micro finance as a way to help people in 3rd World countries work their way out of poverty. Several of us have responded to that.

The Christmas Community meal brings Hope to the lonely and a chance to share the real meaning of Christmas. Journey to the Cross shares Jesus and His Sacrifice for us and enables us to provide a huge witness of our faith in the area. Praying that more and more will come to know what Jesus has done for them. Followed by the Resurrection and Sunrise service.

With mission, SCF have housed our Tanzanian street children permanently in a home bought this summer, bringing hope to them. The finance was provided through many sources, including members of ctisad. The Lord has increased our territory and given us 22 orphans to rescue in Uganda. SCF have recently bought land to build a home for them too. So, we are bringing Hope to the Nations.

The enemy is busy too and we are no longer allowed to take a monthly service at Anley Nursing Home. We pray for open doors for Christians there.

2017 was the Year of prayer for Thy Kingdom Come

2018 was the year of Hope and sharing Jesus with others

2019 is a year of consolidation and action to make disciples.

I thank Sally, as my Secretary, so full of enthusiasm for The Lord's work and Keith who efficiently manages our finances. I thank God for each and every one of you, as you bring the Good News of Jesus Christ into your daily lives and share a message of Hope with others.

7. Election of Officers:

All the current Officers were willing to stand again. They were all elected again en bloc.

Chairperson: Joy Orwell
 Treasurer: Keith Waterson
 Secretary: Sally Waterson
 Web Editor: Judith Allinson

Examiner: Ken Barton

There were no nominations for the role of Vice Chair. We do need to seek to fill this role before next AGM

8. Date and venue of next AGM Meeting:

Tuesday [15] 29 October 2019, 7pm at the Friends Meeting House, Kirkgate, Settle