

Justice and Peace Meeting

13th June 2005 Held at 245 Cannon Hill Lane

Present: John, Barbara, JulieK, Carol, Julia, Tom

Apologies: Cathy, Liam, Kirsty, Elianne, .

Meditation: Carol

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Matters arising:

The booklet from Sacred Heart about organisations in the Churches Together in West Wimbledon and How you can Help had been acquired and was passed to Julia ,who thought it would be something useful to have to heighten awareness.

Liam and Barbara went to the J & P A.G.M in Ashford , and felt it was a worthwhile exercise. Liam brought back books and papers for people to see.

Tom thanked Kirsty for her help with his door to door Christian Aid collection.

Informing Ourselves:

CAFOD sent a representative to the presbytery on Tuesday to talk to Parish Reps in the Deanery about the Make Poverty History campaign. Liam and Kirsty attended in the absence of Tom . Everyone was encouraged to go to Edinburgh, though no coaches had been arranged. They also learned about how CAFOD works and about their support for smaller projects, such as Siobhan Dooley's Liam passed this information on to Michael Dooley. Julia had done some research on the Make Poverty History campaign but felt it was covered sufficiently during the meeting.

John had received an e-mail of the statement from the Bishops in Zimbabwe on "Operation Restore Order", which we read and talked about what could be done. The general consensus seemed to be at the moment prayer, as writing to the foreign secretary or Hilary Wedgewood Benn would be unproductive, since Robert Mwgabe is totally against the British Government and blames them for all his ills. It was noted that he is (nominally) a Catholic.

Planning Action.

Canute had rung John about the need to book him if we were having either a multi-kulti this year or a St Patrick's night dance next year. Some dates were discussed but it was felt necessary to await Liam's return for the Multi-Kulti as he had the necessary contacts and could agree suitable dates. The question was raised about our wish to fundraise, Carol said she had started the St Patrick's night dance as a fundraiser for Father Val and it had followed from that.

There was a letter from Sister Pat Trussell about a sheet from CAFOD to all Parishes for signing, Tom had heard nothing about it and agreed to follow it up if the Canon told John he did not have it.

Treasurer reported a balance of £92:07

Next Meeting to be on Monday 18th July at Liam's.

Meditation : Cathy

Minutes: Kirsty