Calne Partnership of Churches
Quarterly Meeting
Thursday 6 July 2023 at 7.30 pm
Venue: St Edmunds Church, Calne

Welcome & Opening Prayer (Steven Colby)

Quarterly Meeting Business

Representatives

Steven Colby	- Parish of Calne and Blacklands	
Rose Addington	- St Edmund's Roman Catholic Church	
Linda Carter	- Marden Vale Benefice	- Apologies
Jenny Colby	- Parish of Calne and Blacklands	
Lyn Cooper	- Calne Methodist Church	
Father Vincent Curtis	- St Edmund's Roman Catholic Church	- Apologies
Derek Gard	- Calne Methodist Church	
Dave Halls	- Dayspring	- Apologies
Elizabeth Hitchens	- St Edmund's Roman Catholic Church	
Craig Manley	- Calne Methodist Church	
Teresa Michaux	- Parish of Calne and Blacklands	
John Michaux	- Parish of Calne and Blacklands	
Andy Miller	- Calne and Blacklands	- Apologies
Terry Mills	- Calne Baptist Church	
Teresa Quinn	- St Edmund's Roman Catholic Church	
Carole West	- Dayspring	
Jenny Wood	- Calne Baptist Church	
Joanne Williams	- Calne Methodist Church	- Apologies

1. **Minutes of meeting** held on 27 April 2023 agreed and signed as a true record.

2. **Matters Arising**
   a. Church Information Sheets Update. Little progress has been made on this,given that two Churches are awaiting new ministers.
   b. Feedback on Friendly Space (formerly Warm Space initiative) and future development. This initiative going particularly well at the Methodist and Baptist Churches. Numbers on a Wednesday can be as high as 30. So the Baptist Church on a Monday and the Methodist Church on a Wednesday will still be providing sessions. Church House will operate a drop in on two Fridays a month, but numbers are few if any. The Evangelical Church is thinking of starting a group on a Thursday.
   c. Following the talk on the Open Blue bus, up to 10 people are talking about being volunteers.
   d. 11 October Games Evening at the Methodist Church from 7pm
   e. Please advertise Messy Church the second Sunday in the month (not August

4. **Calne Bike Meet -** St Mary's will be open 10 - 4 and there will be a Communion Service at 12 noon.

5. **We are looking forward to welcoming the Revd Caspar Bush** after his licensing on 24 September 3pm in St. Marys.

6. **Lantern Parade -** This is on 25 November and John is to book a stall with the Town Council. Jenny Woods and Stephen Colby will be co-ordinating the event. We need to confirm that St. Mary's Public Liability Insurance will cover us. The idea of an Advent Partnership Carol Service was shelved till next year.

7. **Retirement of Revd Linda Carter -** we send best wishes to Linda and Richard on their retirement.

8. **Stations of the Cross -** it was requested that we keep the leaflets.

9. **Any Other Business**
   A. Item for the October Agenda - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service will be on January 11 at 19.30
   B. Item for January Agenda - Stations of the Cross procession
   C. Open the Book - still awaiting further details about the subscription from the Bible Society
   D. The balance in our account is currently £440, depending on our future plans we may want to ask for subscriptions next year.
   E. Care Home Services - we need to think about how, what and which Care homes we go into - especially on the organising of a Sunday afternoon act of worship at Marden Court, more details and thoughts from Jenny Colby who has contacts with the Firs and Marden Court and the Evangelical Church.
   F. Remembrance Sunday it is anticipated that there will be a service at St Mary's and then the town will gather at the War Memorial for the 11.00 am two minute silence
   G. Baptist Church are anticipating that things will start happening in January with the redevelopment of their site, given that contracts and detailed plans have to be finalised.
   H. An Alpha Course is being held at Station Hill Baptist Church in the autumn on a Wednesday starting in September. More details from the Baptist Church.

Next meeting is on 10 October at 7.30 in the Baptist Church

Meeting closed at 8.25