

St Lewis' Croft SVP Conference

Minutes of meeting held on 6 April 2022, 7.00pm

Attendees:

Kath Lee, Gerry Hamilton, Gill Hamilton, Debbie Knowles, John Blears, Madeleine Blears, Maureen Horn, Carole Parr

Apologies:

Paul Unsworth
Denise Fletcher
Maureen Talbot

Opening prayers were said

Spiritual reading was given by Kath

Matters discussed:

- 1) Maureen Horn had contacted All Saints School regarding the child who may require assistance with travel to and from a contact centre, but no further details could be obtained on when this would be, other than that it might be in the summer. She was advised that there were some families who were in need of assistance with school uniform, especially for children moving from nursery to reception, and year 6 to year 7. It was discussed that the preferred practice was for the school to provide vouchers which the parents would then take to the uniform retailer. The Conference could provide a donation for such vouchers to the school.
- 2) The pastoral support officer at All Saints school offered to come to a Conference meeting to discuss the types of needs that their families have. It was discussed that if this offer was taken up, she would need to attend at the start or end of a meeting and would not be able to be present for discussion of any other matters due to issues of confidentiality.
- 3) Kath Reilly (Membership Support Officer) and John Lawless (President) of the Central Council are attending the next meeting.
- 4) Three Easter hampers had been provided for All Saints School and a further one for a parishioner who was in financial need.
- 5) Gill provided each member with a form on which they could record the time they spend on SVP activities for the purposes of the annual report. All members were asked to complete this on a regular basis so that it can be handed to the secretary at the end of the current year (31.03.23)

Action points arising from matters discussed:

None

Visits:

An elderly male parishioner who is cared for by his daughter. His physical and mental health is much improved since the last visit, and he now has a carer attending to him 3 times per day. His daughter is still seeking work and a food hamper was provided.

An elderly female parishioner in Croft. Took her a gift for her birthday and she was thrilled. Loves receiving the visits.

Future visits:

Elderly female parishioner in Croft – Maureen H and Gill would do one visit, and Madeleine and Kath would do another.

Correspondence:

None

Treasurers Report:

Still no further with getting the bank account authorisations sorted. Issue to be raised with John Lawless at the next meeting.

£919 in funds (£468 that is with Fr Gordon, £55 in bank that can't be accessed and £395 in cash

Safeguarding Issues

None

AOB

None

Next meeting - 11 May at 7.00pm.
