## Minutes of Justice and Peace Meeting held at 143 Monkleigh Road on Wednesday 5 October at 8 p.m.

Present: Liam, John, Cathie, Julie S.

Apologies: Barbara, Carol, Julie K., Kirsty, Tom

## Action

Minutes of previous meeting agreed.

Matters arising would come up later in agenda.

Multicultural Event – Saturday 22 October

It had been noted that both the sound and lighting equipment in the hall needed improving. There may be some lighting equipment available now St.

Catherine's has closed. The Parish Council are looking at this.

Performers for the multicultural event had suggested that radio and clip on mikes would be useful both for performances in the hall and at the 9.30 Mass. A system consisting of 6 microphones (at £105 each) and a mixer and amplifier (for £100) had been proposed. It was suggested that we might use the profits from the multicultural event towards these.

Tickets It was proposed that this year we might simply invite people to pay at the door to save the time, energy and expense of printing tickets and selling them at all masses over two weekends. Price to remain £2 for adults and 50p for children.

Publicity

**Raffle** Last year the raffle went on too long. This year there would be 9 prizes for children and 6 for adults.

Drinks, paper cups etc.

**Help** required on Saturday to set up and decorate hall

John will print **programme** if given information on time

In order to widen participation in Parish activities a children's art competition was suggested. Other possibilities included displays of textiles, crafts, and a Parish Drama Group.

The article and J & P notes in Talkabout were considered a success.

## **Future Events**

Southwark Justice & Peace Commission meeting on Saturday 15 October 2005 at Amigo Hall from 10 am to 3.30 p. Cathie recommended these meetings.

Liam agreed to discuss with Canute whether the existing Church microphones would be compatible with this mixer. After some discussion it was agreed to purchase the mixer and one mike if they were compatible with existing equipment.

Liam to check with Canon that selling tickets at the door was acceptable.

Liam to put notice in newsletter, this week and next.

John to print and hang posters if possible.

Cathie to purchase prizes with a multicultural theme.

To be purchased using last year's receipts.

Contact Liam for time.

Liam to pass information to John

To consider for future.

All members to consider writing a future article for Talkabout

One World Week 23 – 30 October

We should again invite a range of parishioners to read special bidding prayers in their own languages. Important to introduce speakers at Mass.

**Trade Justice** There will be a mass lobby of Parliament on Wed. 2 November from 12 – 6 pm.

Invite Tom to write Bidding Prayers. Liam to invite speakers and discuss with all priests how the readers are introduced. All invited to take part.

**New Year Peace Service** was advertised in Talkabout.

Liam is to work on revised service.

Homeless Sunday – 29 January 2006

Ideas to next meeting.

More info from Cathie.

**UNA workshops** in October

10 October: Preventing Armed Conflict 17 October: UN60, a time for renewal 31 October: Making Poverty History

All at Wilberforce House, 119 Worple Road, SW20

Bring lunch at 12.30 or talk at 1 pm, tea & coffee provided, RSVP 8944 0574

Racial Justice and Religious Hatred Bill -

supposedly for the benefit of Muslims but it could result in restrictions on freedom of speech particularly in preaching the Gospel. House of Lords Debate on 11 October Inform yourself, lobby MP, see <a href="https://www.christian.org.uk">www.christian.org.uk</a> or <a href="https://www.lawcf.org/lawreform.php">www.lawcf.org/lawreform.php</a>

## Prisoner of conscience

Persecution of Christians, closing down of Churches in Northern & Central Nigeria and enforcement of Sharia Law on Christians continues.

Pray for the victims and for peace between the different religions and communities.

Treasurer's Report: £106

Next meeting: Thursday 10 Nov. at 8 pm at John &

Barbara's, 245 Cannon Hill Lane

Meditation: Cathie Minutes: John