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	Minutes of Latton P.C.C. Meeting Thursday 18 th May 2023 9.45 am The Vicarage, Bath Road	
1	Opening Prayers. Debbie opened the meeting by leading us in prayer	
2	Apologies and those attending: All the PCC attended the meeting: Stuart Dagnall, Phil Winfield, Suzi Tipper, Pat Winfield, & Rev Debbie Dewes	
3	Previous Minutes The minutes from the meetings were accepted as accurate and signed by Debbie	
4	Matters arising There were none that were not on the agenda	
5	Finance Matters The bank balance is £21,000 at the beginning of July although this contains £6,000 of Mary Harrington's bequest for emergencies so really just under £15,000. This is partly due to CCLA interest on Mary's capital, an increase in giving and the 2yrs of gift aid. Allowing for boiler repairs, tower repairs and ECO church costs there is still some to carry out other maintenance that was not possible before.	
6	New Village Hall Update There is a provisional design and planning permission has not been granted as yet.	
7	Safeguarding & response to Domestic Abuse Nothing to report	
8	Latton Cafe This is going well. The next date is August 5 th and the takings on average are £100 with about 40 people coming. This therefore covers the costs of running the hall and also the churchyard maintenance. Still waiting for Claire to source some Christian literature suitable for putting out on cafe days but Phil will email her to remind her about this	Phil
9	Eco Church Phil has met with Anthony regarding the bronze award. We discussed where the wildlife area might be in the churchyard and Debbie suggested planting Yellow Rattle as it suppresses grass which can take over these areas. Phil would like to put LED lights in the church and the Hall and use recycled paper to print service sheets onto. All told this should cost about £282 and this was agreed. Debbie noted that in AK the community gets involved with the churchyard being ECO	Phil
10	Heating System The cost of the parts to repair the current boiler is £1,200 and these have been ordered. We are just waiting for the repairs to be carried out.	Phil
11	Church Tower Repairs We have a grant of £3,000 from WCT and Stuart is looking into a grant from NCT but this is proving quite complex. It requires 2 quotes, Architect on board and our audited accounts. The cost will be about £19,000	Stuart
12	Village Shop Proposal At the last Latton cafe people were asked whether they thought that this would be a good idea and in general they seems to like the proposal. Trevor Hunt was asked questions by Phil regarding: Opening hours – maximum 8-6 but in general 9-5 and less at weekends Stock – food but also toys and DIY No alcohol license Parking should not be an issue because few people tend to come at once No water - only electric that can be metered for cost purposes He would like access to the village hall loos but only for staff	

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	The next step would be to approach the Parish Council for their view and also to speak to Emma Bakewell at the Diocese. Providing this all goes through smoothly there would be no cost to the church for contracts etc and rent would be paid for the site. This is currently unknown	
12	JOT Phil will email Katy re sharing resources	
10	Vicar's Heads Up Debbie asked if more frequent PCC meetings would be appreciated by Latton but it was thought that the current quota is fine. August will have a communion a month and Latton's will be the 3 rd week We chatted about the LOGO which will come up at the next Better Together meeting	
11	AOB None	
12	Date of Next Meeting The next date is due on Thursday November 16 th at 9.30 at the Vicarage Debbie closed the meeting with prayer at 12:53	