CTEH Summary of Meeting 10TH April 2024 at Sutton Methodist Church

<u>Welcome.</u> AH welcomed us to the meeting and read verses from Acts chapter 5, before leading us in prayer.

<u>Present.</u> There were 11 members present representing 8 churches with apologies from 3 others

<u>Minutes of the last meeting.</u> The minutes had been circulated to members and were accepted as a true record. The following amendments were made:

A change of date for the Seafarer's service – it is now on Tuesday June 25th at 7:30pm at St Michael's and All Angels.

There is a new website – www.cteh.org.uk and a new email address – info@cteh.org.uk and there is also a QR code. (Later in the meeting we were given business type cards with this information on, welcoming people to Churches Together East Hull and including a prayer on the back.) Please give them out!

It was accepted that a summary of the minutes, minus names be posted on the website.

<u>Correspondence.</u> AH had received an email inviting people to join in the South Holderness Circuit's production of Roger Jones' musical 'Two Weddings and a Funeral.' Rehearsals take place at Sutton Methodist Church on a Friday at 7:30pm. There will be a performance at Withernsea Methodist Church on June 15th at 3:00pm and at Holderness Road Methodist Church on July 13th at 3:00pm

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> AH showed we have a balance of £354.39.

<u>Updates</u>

<u>Christian Unity Service.</u> Was at Kingston Wesley on January 21st at 3:00pm and focused on Burkina Faso. The congregation was welcomed with refreshments as a symbol of welcome and fellowship. It was a good service and was well attended.

<u>World Day of Prayer.</u> Was at Holderness Road Methodist Church. Worked well and was well attended, including by people from West Hull. £233 was sent to World Day of Prayer. The service focussed on the plight of Palestinian Christians. To bear with one another in love.

Good Friday. The service at Holderness Road Methodist Church started at 10:00am with refreshments before and after. As last year there were readings/prayers outside the church and at the corner of Village Road and videos were played in church for those who are unable to walk. There were some good conversations during the walk of witness. It was decided to stay on one side of Holderness Road because of the difficulty of crossing a busy road. There was a suggestion that next year we might walk in the opposite direction. It will be investigated for next year.

<u>Christian Aid.</u> Thursday May 16th. This is now to be held at Sutton Methodist Church. Time to be arranged.

<u>Seafarer's Service</u> 25th June at 7:30 at St Michael's, Holderness Road. A number of chaplains have been contacted regarding the planning of the service and it will be advertised on the website and other places. Greatfield Community Choir will accompany our singing during the service and by singing sea shanties at the beginning and end. John Parkin & Sons have kindly offered to help with the costs.

<u>Praise in the Park.</u> We are awaiting for confirmation from the council for the date of July 14th at 3:00pm in East Park. It will be a similar format to previous years. Last year the event was a joyous ecumenical occasion with passersby stopping to join in. The event is a good witness to those around.

News from the churches.

Portobello decorated their wooden cross with flowers brought by church members

and put it outside the church on Easter Sunday.

St. Peter's Bilton are planning a Scarecrow Festival for the 9th to 15th June and an Afternoon Tea on Friday May 3rd from 1:00pm -3:00pm.

Holderness Road Methodist Church put out well over 100 knitted crosses at Easter and the public took them as quickly as they were put out. The bags also had a message in them as well as Facebook details. Easter Eggs were left at houses down Morrill Street as another way of evangelising. Bibles are regularly left outside church and over 800 have been taken by people passing by.

St Columba's. On the 2nd Saturday of the month there is a Men's Breakfast from 8:30am – 10:00am.

St Andrew's Paull. Monday April 22nd 10:45am – 12:30pm The Village Prayer Grouping for Thorngumbald, Ottringham, Paull and Keyingham, called TOP-K, invite you to join with them for this informal social gathering.

Prison's Sunday 13th October 3:00pm now to be at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, Sothcoates Lane.

Any forthcoming events can be posted on the Churches Together East Hull website.

Dates of the next meetings – please note the changes of venue

Wednesday June 5th 2:00pm St Michael and All Angels.

Wednesday September 11th 2:00pm now at Portobello.

Wednesday November 20th 2:00pm now at Sacred Heart.

The meeting closed with prayer.