**Lindisfarne Methodist Parish – Pink Sheet**

**October/November 2022**

Hello everyone, our last Parish Council meeting for the year was held on Tuesday, 25th October. The following are some topics discussed during that meeting:

* We are pleased to announce that our church is purchasing another 12 months Zoom so we can continue zooming church services to people who find this an accessible way to attend our Sunday services.
* After a number of concerns were expressed regarding sound quality in the auditorium, a test was carried out identifying which microphone was best to hear. After people listened to Tania and Neil speaking through the three microphones, it was agreed that the echoes were less evident when using the head-set microphone. This was to be tested with a wider group at the following Sunday service.
* Almost a year after leading a church, the presbyter undergoes a review to monitor how things are going for them and the new church. Tania reported that her review will take place prior to the Methodist Church Conference in November.
* The Parish Council approved this year’s projective annual budget. A budget is created every year, based on historical information, incorporating both the projective income and expenditure. This is a tool we can use to monitor our church’s financial performance over the 12 months, comparing figures with both last year’s financial information and this year’s annual budget. This keeps our finances on the straight and narrow.
* **Coming Activities:**
1. 19th November 2pm, Zoom link at our church to watch Peter’s induction as President of the Methodist Church of NZ. A Posh Afternoon-tea will be held afterwards.
2. January/ February 2023, planning is underway to hold a church picnic and a Garden Party.
3. A Games Evening will soon be held and attendees are asked to bring their own take-away tea.
4. 18th December, please bring your potato in a bucket back to church as after the service, judging will be held in the foyer to see who has the largest or strangest shape potato etc.
* You may have noticed our new carpet in the lounge. We thank the two church members who kindly donated money towards the cost of the new carpet and the chest freezer.
* In November, Darren Weston (Health and Safety officer), will be holding a refresher course for those people who are our safety wardens during an emergency.

**Please check the Bulletins over the next few months as they will provide more details about coming events.**