



St Agnes Community Centre

Future Constitution

The Present situation

1. Funding for centre granted by Manchester City Council 31/3/87
2. condition that a management committee be set up within three months
3. condition that the premises be used as community centre for not less than 20 years
4. management committee agreed as
 - chair (Rector, ex-officio)
 - maximum of 7 other members (3 appointed by PCC, 4 from locality, all for one year period)
 - treasurer and secretary appointed from within committee

Advantages	Disadvantages
good local representation	poor system for payments between centre and church
good management committee taking proper responsibility	uncertainty about where profits should be directed

Possibilities for the Future

1. Keep existing arrangement, but tighten up the payment procedures
 - Advantages: keeps good local representation
ensures that booking/opening does not land directly on the parish priest
 - Disadvantages: poor system for payments between centre and church
uncertainty about where profits should be directed
2. Take back Community Centre into the parish/PCC's governance
 - Advantages: makes payment of bills, costs, parish hire etc straight forward
 - Disadvantages: we will lose community involvement and positioning
difficulty in appointing officers - result: the parish priest has to do it!
3. Form a sub-committee of the PCC which specifies the community representation and roles
 - Advantages: keeps good local representation
ensures that booking/opening does not land directly on the parish priest
makes payment of bills, costs, parish hire etc straight forward
 - Disadvantages: the Centre loses its specific 'community' designation

* For this third option to work, the Centre account would continue as normal but with profits split two ways. Part of the funds would be retained in a Centre account - set aside for repairs, promotion, Centre funds. The remaining profit is directed into the main Parish accounts to help with day to day costs. In affect there would still be no profit as such for the parish as the money received would be only cover bills, insurance etc.