

Upon the completion of the Parish Centre in February 2010, the CMG took over the responsibility for issues relating to the building, usage and general management of the Centre from the Hall Steering Group., and has met monthly since then usually before PCC meetings. We have discussed and resolved all manner of issues, from the lengthy teething problems with the ground source heat pump to setting hire charges and generally fixing stuff (for more details see me afterwards!).

Until October 2010, this group was chaired by Bob Henley, who did an excellent job and I would like to express our sincere thanks to him for all the hard work he put in, especially to ensure that contractors continued to fulfil their obligations to us in resolving a number of key building operation issues. I would also like to thank Su Tomes for her hard work and crucial involvement as CMG secretary until September 2010.

I took over as Chairman of the group towards the end of 2010 and ever since I have relied extremely heavily on the fantastic efforts of David Rake, our Centre caretaker, and Jill in the Church office who between them managed to keep the Centre running so smoothly. David has happily come out at all hours to open and close up, and does an amazing job at looking after those who choose to use our Centre. He has also taken over the role of key liaison with the contractors and John Turnbull. Jill also has given herself tirelessly to the management of bookings and customer relations, and my thanks go to her for all her hard work, and for managing to learn how the system works so quickly.

After just over a year of successful operation, we continue to be proud of this gift of the Centre that God has given us, and we as the CMG will continue to do our best to ensure that we continue to use this gift wisely. However, we are but a small group - thanks also to Heather Stringer at this point for her dedication in looking after the Centre finances and to Jenny Marsh who keeps us Food Hygiene literate and compliant - and so would welcome you if you would like to join us in helping to keep the Centre running to the glory of God.