Notes for A Patterson for Easton Royal Parish Council 17th Nov 2016

At the last PCC meeting in October, it was agreed that plans to install a kitchen and toilet facilities would be put on hold but consideration and costings drawn up to re-order the rear of the church – i.e. to enclose the electrics and provide storage space, then move the Heritage Group cabinet to that area, moving the altar frontal case to where the Heritage cabinet is currently. The thinking being this is a much lighter space and would be more inviting to visitors. Other suggestions include replacing the carpeting at the altar and seating strips.

It has not been possible to proceed with the after-school club and this will be deferred until next year.

The path to the cemetery has been levelled and stone laid. Repairs have been made to the lych gate and a lead covering placed on the top of the gates to prevent further deterioration. We are grateful to B Rhodes for his work. Funds in the Churchyard and Cemetery Fund will cover the cost of this work.

Harvest Festival followed by the lunch was successful. The Call my Bluff evening and shared Progressive supper fundraising events were enjoyed by all.

The Remembrance Service was well attended and we were pleased to welcome descendants of Bertie Goodship to the service and following lunch. Hearing details of Bertie’s life and service gives a fuller picture of the person. Our thanks to Bill Nimmo-Scott and Karen for their work in planning the service and curry lunch.

Looking forward, the Christmas Tree Festival will focus on the organisations in the village.

Carol singing will take place on Friday December 16th

The Carol Service in church will be on Sunday 18th December at 6pm, Midnight Communion on Saturday December 24th at 11.30pm (led by James).