

Present *Apologies

Bethnal Green Alan Green Christine Hall Maxwell Hutchinson* Andy Rider Phil Williams Darren Wolf Kevin Scully* Sr Judith Blackburn Adam Atkinson Chris Newman-Day	Bow Group Cris Rogers* Beki Rogers* Debbie Frazer James Hughesdon* April Keech Brian Ralph Stuart Lee Bernadette Hegarty	Docklands Ed Dix* Poplar Sandra McCalla Jane Hodges* Marcus Nodder* Tom Pyke Andrew Latimer Richard Bray*	Stepney & Wapping Fr Jones SGitE Ric Thorpe* Alexandra Lillie* Peter McGeary Trevor Critchlow Chris Morgan	Chaplains + Fiona Stewart-Darling Jenny Petersen Mark Aitken Angus Ritchie The Royal London Nigel Copsey Craig Barber Fiona Green Tasha Critchlow Peter Turner
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11 Clergy 2 hosts:

Juber Hussain (Community Cohesion officer) gave us a tour of East London Mosque and an insight into its history and current usage. *Morning prayer didn't take place*

Main item – visit to ELM

The Mosque welcomed us, gave us a tour and showed us their video. We then had a chance to discuss with Dilowar Hussain Khan (Executive Director of the Mosque) issues of common interest. This came down largely to three; the first was a his concern regarding the 'Image of the Muslim community' with a particular reference to the public confusion between the conservative religious and the extremists. Secondly we talked about the relationship between ELM and other LBTH mosques. And thirdly we spoke about the work of the Council of Mosques in LBTH, this was set up by ELM and now has 46 member mosques.

Alan then talked us through the history and current work of Tower Hamlets Inter Faith Forum. It is clear that the Forum needs new and younger members if it is to thrive and work well among the faith communities of our borough.

Deanery News

1. **SGitE + CTC** Angus spoke about the Community of Prayer they are setting up in the rectory and how he and Tim Clapton between them will give 3 days a week to SGitE as part of a 1 year partnership project.
2. **Angus left for a Wonga meeting** which had grown out of work between the Mosque and the Bishop, today they were discussing: Lending Cap review and Advertising Standards.
3. **Governors for Raines and SACRE reps** are needed as too is a governor for IOD primary school
4. **Common Fund in 2016 will be £76,900** up from £75k this year –packs will be coming to parishes, and have already gone to those who attended the CF Money Matters meeting.
5. **Brian Ralph is stepping down from Raines chaplaincy**, he hopes that Chris Newman-Day might be appointed in his place
6. **April Keech licensed to SPOF** as SSM assistant minister
7. **Diocesan and General Synod elections** are upon us, we will consider this at next weeks Deanery Synod preceded by a power-point on the 'Reform and Renewal' report to GS.
8. **Church wardens charge** – make sure your new wardens are signed up and attend accordingly
9. Ric Thorpe's mother has died

Looking Ahead

See meetings planned below

The Archdeacon steps down Mid-June. Arrangements for interim cover will be circulated shortly.

Notes: AR – 27.5.2015

Coming up

Deanery Chapter: 22-23 June in Pleshey

Deanery Synod: Th4 June RFSK: Money & Credit response,
Dioc/Gen Synod election briefing & election of Lay chair

