

## ADARE UNITING CHURCH

### Notes from Church Council Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018

**DEVOTIONS:** Alan Field led devotions on *JUDGING OTHERS*. : “Every saint has a past – every sinner has a future”.

#### **MENS SHED:**

- The Memorandum of Understanding still needs some adjustment before signing
- Most work on the shed is now complete (Solar panels due 31<sup>st</sup> May) and the paperwork can now be finalised to receive the Commonwealth grant
- Governance issues, policies and procedures, and police checks are now priorities

#### **MINISTRY AREA COORDINATORS:**

- No-one has been appointed for the “Christian Growth” position at present (commit to prayer)
- Angela and Roydon Ellison have been appointed as Mission and Outreach Coordinators.
- Adjustments need to be made to care groups – to be followed up by Susan Doughty, and Lesley Mabelson, and Meredith Koch.

#### **NEW MEMBERS:**

Colin Gepp did an excellent job in welcoming new members on behalf of the Congregation.

#### **SUPPORT ISSUES:**

- Lesley Stevens will establish details regarding our church support for Carters” Mission work - to establish its priority as an outreach.
- The defibrillator task force has worked well. Dale Speck is to be invited to speak to the matters at the Congregational Meeting. The cost is \$2195 (\$2500 with add-ons). Training is required for 10 people (6+ already trained). **Motion:** That the proposition be put to the Congregation
- The Bark painting has been found in the Choir Room. Information will be added to the back of the painting, and the congregation advised.
- Marriage and Same Gender relationships.
  - The 15<sup>th</sup> Triennial Assembly of the Uniting Church in Australia will address the issue of Marriage and same gender relationships. Andrew Dutney and a committee redefining marriage and the UCA approach to same gender marriage have developed a policy statement to be debated. The congregation is to be informed and a discussion opportunity provided.