

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 17 June 2008

7.30pm for 7.45pm

Haven House

Chairman's Report

Dear Christian friends

It has been a privilege and honour to serve as chairperson of Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead this past year, together with the Enabling Group we have tried to ensure the work of CTHH continues and prospers.

The main event has been the Good Friday procession of witness in the Marlowes. We felt this was the best thing we did and are grateful to all who helped. Health and Safety has caught up with us in this matter but we think we can cope for the future.

Communicating with and involving one another has been a problem as we have had neither a secretary or publicity officer these last twelve months. We have tried to use email correspondence and are, with the offer of help from Vaughan Allen, hoping to make www.hemelchurches.org.uk the major resource for ongoing activities and information, along with the traditional Directory for reference. In future we intend all Churches in Hemel, and all CTHH, information to be available there.

We have sought to promote churches' various activities under the Hope 08 heading. We look forward to the outreach and fun day at Gadebridge with Re:Act on Monday 28th July.

The Local Ecumenical Groups (LEGs) are not really functioning at the moment. We have representation on the Inter Faith Group and are seeking to maintain our presence within the town structures.

Financially we are stable.

We welcome our links with various new church groups springing up in Hemel, and as an Enabling Group we are willing to help any activity that increases shared worship and prayer, dialogue, service and evangelism, and we want to help achieve expressions of our common faith, the sharing of resources, and a united witness to the people of the town (from the constitution). All who share this goal are welcome at CTHH.

We definitely need more help to enable us to do this better in the future; we look to the Lord and the AGM to provide the necessary resources for the coming year.

Yours in His service

Stephen Wood