

CHRIST CHURCH WELLINGTON HEATH

Mission Action Planning towards 2015 and onwards

The following provides the basis for the construction of a detailed plan to be formally put to the PCC on January 11th 2012.

Our 3 Synod members have met once formally and spoken informally on many occasions. We have consulted

- **Members of the congregation**
- **Our weekly prayer group**
- **Members of our Bible Study Group**
- **People in the village - Christmas Fayre occasion will provide a good meeting ground.**
- **People in village who attend other churches.**

Our Five Point Action Plan provides the basis for everything we do.

1. **Listening - as above**
2. **Reflecting (on our strengths and weaknesses) is an on going process. Be prepared for change and development.**
3. **Praying and Teaching - Listening to God. We have a weekly prayer service attended by 10 to 12 each Wednesday morning - led by laity. We hold fortnightly Bible Study where we are joined by people from other parishes.**
4. **Role of Laity in planning and co-ordinating - We have led some Sunday services and have chaired our PCC meetings for over 12 years. The churchwardens organise and bring to fruition several tasks and events. There is always a need for more lay participation particularly helping at social functions.**
5. **Reviewing progress and planning for the future - Mainly task of PCC.**

Specific areas of strength and areas of concern not previously mentioned.

- 1. Under our present vicar we have held a service at the same time for over 12 years. Our weekly congregation have grown from some 15 to over 30.**
- 2. The treasurer oversees effective Stewardship. We continue to encourage gift aid both by envelopes and standing orders and year on year encourage people to reconsider their giving. We also run a number of events each year to raise funds. We do not want another 2010! We have a very active Friends of Christ Church upon which we rely greatly and which organises village events.**
- 3. The village has an active visiting network - the Church plays its part.**
- 4. We have always been concerned about children - we would like more to participate. We hold two special events each year for children. We have an area in church for children. A member of our PCC runs a drama group for young people.**
- 5. We have an excellent village hall which we use regularly.**
- 6. Safeguarding the integrity of creation - a team of villagers regularly maintain our churchyard giving particular attention to our wild flower meadow.**
- 7. Seeking to change the wider society - with particular regard to secularisation, role of family and threat to our faith re civilisation of extreme Islam.**

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