

ACTION PLAN FOR SEP 2018 to SEP 2019

VISION OF THE CIRCUIT

To be a pro-active and forward-thinking Circuit as followers of Christ.

PRIORITIES OF THE CIRCUIT

To support and empower our human resources, the ministers, lay workers and volunteers, to maximise their impact in outreach from the churches and development within them.

To manage our financial resources and our buildings in the most effective way to further the mission and outreach of the church in our area.

OBJECTIVES FOR THE COMING YEAR

1. To continue the development of social media resources.
 - a. Continue to develop the number of churches with a Facebook (FB) presence.
 - b. To aim to increase the advertisement of church events using social media and the circuit web site.
 - c. To have a quarterly E- newsheet providing up to date information on forthcoming events. Providing an acceptable printable copy for those without access to the internet.
 - d. Continue to develop "Sunny Side Up" material to be distributed on line.
2. To address the issues of how we interact with those who use our premises.
 - a. Carry out an audit of who uses the churches week by week and if there is greater opportunities for working together / encouraging others to attend, either by advertising better etc.
3. Consider improving the contact made through Baptisms or an alternative naming service.
4. Develop the S3A, Spirituality for the Third Age, events by having an advocate in each church.
5. To continue our Worship development
 - a. To further explore the use of Alternative Worship;
 - b. To re-examine circuit services and consider the most valuable form for these
 - c. To encourage the further development of family friendly forms of worship (e.g. Sunday First, Messy Church, All Age Worship, Worship4All) to complement the work we are doing with families and children.
6. To build on work already established within the Families & Children's area and extend and expand that work with a new part time worker joining our existing full-time employee.

7. To oversee the closure and probable sale of Springvale with the intention of achieving the best use of this resource and the best outcome for the community.
8. To consider the best use of the property held as manses by the circuit.
9. To develop a clear strategy for ministry and prepare a circuit profile in preparation for the departure of Alan Wilthew in 2020.
10. To consider ways in which our congregations may develop a greater sense of shared community and common purpose for the circuit.