

1. What is the 'Personality and Character' of your local church?

*We are a small village church with 70 (and rising) on role and average congregation of 14, in the benefice of St. Denys the Minster Warminster.*

*We are set in the centre of the village, which has no meeting place other than the church, no shop or school or hall. So we hold a monthly coffee morning which is attended by church members as well as others in the village, and Warminster.*

*In the last 12 months we have reordered the inside of the church to include a sizeable meeting area and small kitchen and a disability facilitated toilet. This community space has been named PACT- Parish and Community Together.*

*The church has a core of very committed helpers and a valued place in the centre of the village community.*

2. What are the priorities of your local church?

Priorities are

- *In the short term to maximise use of the new space and facilities –PACT- for exciting new activities and events bringing in those in the village who do not at present come to church, as well as worship developments and support of the present congregation.*
- *In the long term to continue with the plans to extend the use of the West End by construction of a gallery area which would create greater flexibility for small, medium and large meeting use. The gallery area would be a self-contained unit with independent heating and lighting, with the option of folding back a glazed screen for large church services or events. The gallery space above providing more options for use- increased seating, exhibitions etc.*
- *Regular use of the space and facilities for both the village community, and those further afield in co ordination with St Denys the Minster Warminster- in the same benefice – plus the Deanery – we are holding an LPA meeting there on "Dementia" in May.*

3. Is there one thing you would like to take on in the coming year (recognising that may mean you may need to stop doing something else)?

- *Hold an exhibition of the history of Upton Scudamore this Summer, simultaneously with our new stewardship campaign*
- *Run a First Aid course starting with an emergency training day or morning.*
- *Hold art and craft session tutorials – eg working with buttons and ribbons.*
- *Arrange a Patronal concert and tea party.*

4. Are there ways in which we can work together to achieve more?

- *Continuing advice and support as we develop our stewardship campaign*
- *Confirmation of the church's role in the village by Bishop Ed's presence at some of our events such as the opening of the History Exhibition or at possible services in coming year.*
- *Support of further facilities inside the church*
- *Encouragement and advice from our Archdeacon as and when needed*

5. How can we best measure the quality and impact of church life?

- *By the widening of involvement in church affairs within the community*
- *By the continuing numbers in our Sunday worship*
- *The development of our worship to reach out to a wider number of people.*
- *By the pastoral work we cover and are called to within the community*
- *The use of the church for mid week events and needs of this community*
- *By the feeling of well being within and around the life of this church*