



Esgobaeth Llandaf Diocese of Llandaff

Lle Mae Ffydd Yn Cyfrif | Where Faith Matters

Audience	Llandaff Diocesan Conference
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report on the work of the Standing Committee in 2024
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Action	Conference is asked to note the report

1. Governance and Administration

It has been a constructive year for standing committee this year.

We have welcomed a new Archdeacon of Margam the Venerable Mark Preece and said goodbye with great gratitude to the Venerable Mike Komor.

A Standing committee sub committee has worked hard on the feedback from last year's conference to deliver this year's conference and we thank them for all the effort that has gone into it.

2. Communications

In March Nicola Bennett (Diocesan Head of Communications) presented the Diocese' communication strategy to the Diocesan Standing Committee (DSC). The Strategy is based on the 3 pillars of the Diocesan vision:

1. Telling a joyful story unashamedly and inclusively using all relevant channels;
2. Growing the kingdom of God by being really present in our communities and opening the doors so all may come in naturally; and
3. building our capacity for good by reaching out to the marginalised so everyone can see themselves in the Church ...
4. all resting on a foundation of the fourth pillar, prayer and spirituality.

The strategy was welcomed and discussion was had about disseminating it to deaneries and Ministry Areas as well as giving guidelines for writing copy and clarity of fonts to help those with additional needs.

3. Vision and Evangelism Funds

Paul Booth presented the Evangelism Fund Report to the standing committee. The DSC welcomed the update and the progress that is being made in so many areas. Paul spoke about the Integrated Mission Team drawing staff together and cross fertilizing experience across the diocese. The report identified 10 projects being run by the Young Faith Matters team, but noted that many more were being run by ministry areas. The team is encouraging Ministry areas to see what opportunities are in their schools and to engage well with them. Standing Committee heard that the young faith Matters team is focusing on good projects so that they can get things up and running, pass them on, and move to the next one.



The report also focused on Citizen Church reporting 350-500 regular worshippers and 700 signed up and identifying as belonging to citizen. Standing committee heard that important lessons are being learnt in how to grow the faith of new believers, and how to support new growing congregations.

4. Finance and Funding

Reports were received on the review of Fairer Share and the proposals for an extensive consultation on the new Common Fund which Mike Lawley will talk more about at this conference.

5. Resources and Structure

An important discussion was had about the church closure process, and it was noted that the Provincial process needs to be clarified and adjusted to aid in better communication and consultation and exhaust all possible alternatives before considering closure or sale.

No Territorial reorganisation was discussed or approved.

6. Conclusion

Diocesan Conference is asked to note the report of its Standing Committee.