



Church of Clifton, All Saints « Mission Action Plan »

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Clifton, All Saints

Parish

Clifton

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Clifton, Haynes and Southill

Deanery

Amphill and Shefford

Archdeaconry

Bedford

MAP Dates

This MAP was adopted by the PCC on
24th July 2023

This MAP was uploaded to the website on
10th November 2022

Our MAP will be reviewed next
8th January 2024

Progress

What progress are you celebrating since your previous MAP?

Establishing a Junior Choir
Undertaking an Alpha Course and Marriage Alpha Course
Setting up a Youth Group

How far did you meet your previous priorities?

(1 star = Not at all → 10 stars = Done)

7 stars

Where has there been less progress than hoped for?

Covid affected our Youth Group and we have not regained the resources to run the group. The group is not running at the present time.

Vision

What is the vision for your Church, Parish, Team Ministry or Benefice?

That the Church community will be seen as the centre of our villages to welcome, support and serve the needs of the community.

Values

What are the core values for your Church, Parish, Team Ministry or Benefice?

Going deeper into God- to deepen the faith, spirituality and calling of our congregations and to improve the quality of our worship

Making new disciples – reach out in hospitality to those unconnected to church and teach those at the start of their faith journey

Transforming communities – engage in social action to address local needs by understanding what the village of Clifton needs from our church

1st Priority

What is your 1st Priority to make your vision a reality?

Reach out to new residents of the village to get to know them and to raise the profile of our church in the local community

Which of the 3 strands of Living God's Love does your 1st Priority most focus on?

Making New Disciples

SMART Goal to achieve your 1st Priority

Prepare a welcome pack for new residents to the village (including map, tea towels, cookies, teabags), distribute the bags to new residents (introducing ourselves, welcoming them and signposting them to what happens in our church) by getting a team together to organise the content of the packs and distribute by June 2023 to all new houses in Hayfields, Broad Street, Church Street and Fairground Way

2nd Priority

What 2nd Priority are you working on to make your vision a reality?

To ensure all new visitors receive a warm high-quality welcome, feel at ease and are comfortable with the service format.

Which of the 3 strands of Living God's Love does your 2nd Priority most focus on?

Making New Disciples

SMART Goal to achieve your 2nd Priority

Organise welcomer training by March 2023 and ensure all welcomers attend, show the welcome video. Provide higher quality cafetiere coffee and consider pastries/home-made biscuits with coffee before the service starts, relocate coffee station, and introduce welcomer links (people who can receive people from the door welcomers and sit with them in the Church services), broaden All Age Worship music offer

3rd Priority

What 3rd Priority are you working on to make your vision a reality?

Consider a general cafe in church for the local community as there is not one in Clifton

Which of the 3 strands of Living God's Love does your 3rd Priority most focus on?

Transforming Communities

SMART Goal to achieve your 3rd Priority

Seek volunteers from the local community and local community groups (CRA. WI etc) and on social media to establish potential by March 2023.

Set up by June 2023 with volunteer rota for 2 mornings a week as a trial

4th Priority

What 4th Priority are you working on to make your vision a reality?

To deepen the Spirituality and faith of our congregation

SMART Goal to achieve your 4th Priority

Organise a Benefice trip to Wintershall to see "The Life of Christ" by June 2024

Attend the Benefice wide trip being organised by Southill Church to Launde Abbey

5th Priority

What 5th Priority are you working on to make your vision a reality?

Organise an Alpha course for the local community

Which of the 3 strands of Living God's Love does your 5th Priority most focus on?

Going deeper into God, Making New Disciples

SMART Goal to achieve your 5th Priority

Advertise Alpha course at Christmas services with leaflet
Advertise through welcome pack and social media
Run course in 2023

6th Priority

What 6th Priority are you working on to make your vision a reality?

To reach out and nurture relationships with Baptism families

Which of the 3 strands of Living God's Love does your 6th Priority most focus on?

Making New Disciples

SMART Goal to achieve your 6th Priority

Hold a Teddy Bears Picnic by August 2023 inviting all those baptised in the last 3 years to attend and advertise Toddler and Messy Church at the event

Rating (Author View only)

How do you rate your MAP?

Good

Resources (Author View only)

How are your priorities and action goals going to be resourced?

Welcome Pack will require a team of volunteers from the congregation to organise

Trip to Wintershall – Lay Reader and congregation member

Teddy Bears Picnic – Rector + baptism visitors

Changes to Church welcome – Rector + Church Warden

Cafe in Church – approach local community and community groups for volunteers

Alpha course – Ministry Team – resources TBC

MAP Process (Author View only)

Historically how far has the MAP process helped you achieve your priorities?

(1 star = Not at all → 10 stars = Very helpful / We are closer to our vision)

8 stars

Mission Tree Categories (Author View only)

We believe that the following elements help build Flourishing Churches; which of the following areas is your MAP focusing on?

For more on each of these please see the [Mission Tree](#) »

[Effective Communications](#), [Warm Welcome and Invitation](#), [Deepening Discipleship](#),

[Courageous Community Engagement](#)

Flourishing Churches Support (Author View only)

In the preparation of your MAP, did you use any support from the Flourishing Churches team?

I/people from my parish attended a MAP workshop, We used the Mission Action Planning literature from the website