The Still Waters Mission Community Mission Action Plan Revised April 2018

We want to make the most of our monthly coffee mornings which move around the mission community.

Next Steps: team members to join a 'learning community' to share stories and ideas about how events like these can be used for mission. Report back in 6 months.

Next Steps: Mission Shed / Mission Enabler.

Build our Strengths

Our Sunday services follow a well-established pattern as we share one full-time Rector across five congregations. All services are very traditional and can feel 'rushed' when service leaders have several commitments on Sundays mornings.

Next Steps: Review our service pattern across the mission community to prevent clergy having to rush between churches and allow styles of worship that are family-friendly. Consult across the mission community and report to PCCs in I year.

Resources: Children's Work Adviser / Mission Enabler / Vocations Adviser.

Grow in Prayer

Make New Disciples

At the moment a great deal of time is spent maintaining our buildings, fundraising for repairs and worrying about their upkeep. This impacts upon Clergy, volunteers and take a disproportionate amount of meeting time.

Next Step: Work with the Growing the Rural Church Team to develop alternative ways of caring for our buildings and use them as assets for mission rather than seeing them as hindering our growth. Review in 1 year.

Resources: Growing the Rural Church Team.

Serve with Joy

Areas within our mission community have been identified by Age UK of having a 'High Risk' of loneliness' among over 65s.

Next Step: Liaise with other local community groups to see how church members can support a befriending project. Volunteers to accompany clergy and lay minsters on home communion visits. Review in 6 months.

Resources: Church & Society Team / Devon Country Council / Devon Communities Together / Devon Rural Churches Forum / Expertise in Hartland Deanery.

This is a sample *Outline Mission Action Plan* which is structured around the Diocesan Vison. For more information about writing or reviewing your own MAP please contact:

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