

Re-Pitching Our Tent (RPOT) Update

At the last RPOT Steering Team Meeting held on Thursday 25th January, the Steering Team discussed the letter we had received from the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) following their visit in August 2017.

In it, they encourage us to write a detailed *Business Plan* (articulating the potential business opportunities that exist for each of our three church buildings), and also a *Statement of Need* (which clearly states why there is a need for transforming our buildings and what that need is founded upon, so that they are fit for purpose in the twenty-first century). Alongside these two important reports is a third document, a *Statement of Significance*, (which speaks about each building's significance as a *place*, in terms of the sum of each one's cultural and natural heritage values).

Collated together as the evidence for our buildings project, the PCC will present and demonstrate the project's viability to the DAC, who will assess the potential success of our vision. The aim of the DAC is to advise and guide us, and help us to succeed, if the case we make is God's will.

So what is happening now?

The Steering Team has organised for the Business Plan and Statement of Need to be written; the Statement of Significance is already written.

Once completed they will be presented to the PCC who, under the guidance of the Steering Team and our Architect and with lots of prayer, will decide how to proceed in coming to the final decision of whether the parish can continue with three church buildings, two or one.