

1. Communicate regularly to parishioners and to others, our own work and the ongoing work of members of our local communities.

The internal notice boards are not ideally positioned to catch attention

Notices in the folders tend to be closed rather than open for display

Should some of these notices be in the newsletter?

What are the reasons for the current arrangements? Do these reasons still apply?

What are the existing channels/mechanisms for communicating beyond the parish?

2. Display, in both communities, photographs of members of the PPC.

The PPC photograph boards are only seen by those going out of their way to look at them.

3. Produce a joint welcome pack or handbook, sharing information and contact points about both parishes. Seek sponsorship to help with the production costs.

With the Island becoming one parish a 'Welcome to the Isle of Wight Parish' Pack is envisaged.

Communication

Establish and use clear, effective and regular communication structures to promote and support collaborative working, both within and between the two communities.

5. Promote the parish newsletter vigorously, and ask that, each week, a copy is taken by the Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and housebound.

What do we want in the newsletter?

Mass times, Sick and Housebound— but not named on web-site, Anniversaries, events, Pastoral information, Prayer for vocations

Why is it a single sheet? For economic reasons?

Would it be possible to have a larger edition once a month?

Use monthly edition for standard info and slow changing/advanced info and free up weekly edition for more "news".

Items submitted for the newsletter aren't always included. Do we need to improve the mechanism for submitting items?

Any NEWS would be of interest to the sick and housebound.

Other

General communication about significant changes in the churches so that Parishioners learn at the planning stage what is proposed and why and in advance of the implementation so that Parishioners know what is happening and why. It is particularly important that Parishioners most directly affected by a change are kept "in the loop". This point is particularly important if Parishioners are expected to become more engaged.

4. Make better use of the Island website as an up-to-date means of communication.

There appear to be problems with a monopoly of both the local and Island web-site — no-one else can access it.

The Parish Office should have a copy of the Account and File Transfer Protocol details.

Adoption of a content management system may make it easier to keep the sites up-to-date and relevant.