

## **DIA/Mission Committee Report for APCM 2025**

**The committee's name, Discipleship in Action (DIA) was changed following the 2024 APCM to: The Mission Committee (MC).**

Until the 2024 APCM, membership of the Discipleship in Action Committee (DIA) was as follows:

PCC members: Fr Robert, Glenn Burchell, Mary Coulthurst, Dee Davis, Catherine Tugnait.

Co-opted members: Alison Cummins, Mervyn Hogg, Chris Hoppett, David Hudson, Sardinia Ma, Helen Pye-Beraet, Alison Rollin.

After the 2024 APCM, membership of the Mission Committee (MC) was as follows:

PCC members: Fr Robert, Rowland Linder, Glenn Burchell, Mary Coulthurst, Mervyn Hogg, Catherine Tugnait.

Co-opted members: Alison Cummins, David Hudson, Alison Rollin.  
(Others have offered occasional help when necessary.)

**In 2024**, DIA met on the following occasions:

19.2.24; 22.4.24; 20.11.24. The meeting set for 18.12.24 was cancelled because of illness.

**In 2025**, MC met on 29.1.25 and 26.2.25. The meeting set for 26.3.25 was cancelled, and that for 23.4.25 (Easter Week) was deferred until *after* the APCM on 29.4.25.

### **On-going topics at each meeting:**

Improved communication; Church Welcoming (formerly Church Watch); attracting people to church.

#### **19.2.24:**

- Revd. Susy Dand, Chaplain at Bishop Ramsey School, attended this meeting, to discuss ideas for St Martin's and BR School to collaborate on various areas, e.g. wider community events, or with interactive activities held in the school hall. (While never left alone with pupils, anyone willing to help should bring with them a current DBS certificate and photo ID.)
- Noticeboards are to be kept updated, giving information re forthcoming services and events.

#### **22.4.24:**

- Fr R reported that we have good relationships with local schools.
- A Youth Mass was held in Lent. This included doing the Stations of the Cross, which was much appreciated by those taking part.
- Various prayer stations were also set up during Lent, including a prayer tree with cut-out paper doves for personal prayers.

#### **20.11.24:**

- Following a PCC Awayday, the MC was asked to focus on outward and missionary activities.
- Ongoing work to include better and wider communication, pew cards to help newcomers become known, and Church Welcoming.
- A holiday club (for 5-11 year olds) is being planned for the May half-term in 2025.

#### **22.1.25:**

- Communication: a monthly newsletter is being circulated to all ER members, with hard copies available in church.

#### **26.2.25:**

- Continued discussion re communication, church welcoming, the May Holiday Club, and attracting more (and younger) people to church.

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