

St Pancras Church



Mission Action Plan 2021-23

This Mission Action Plan has been prepared by the PCC of St Pancras Church to set out the shape of our mission and ministry for the next three years.

Context and Vision

Central London is in a state of flux. For the last year the Covid-19 pandemic has filled our hospital wards and emptied our streets and workplaces. We do not know how long the pandemic will last, and we do not yet know how its long-term consequences will begin to reshape the pattern of life in our local community.

In the midst of this uncertainty, the central truths of the gospel do not change. *'Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today and forever.'* (Hebrews 13.8) St Pancras will continue to be a centre for Christian prayer and worship, and a place where faith can be sought and found. We will continue to pray for our community, and to do all we can to be a sign of God's love for all people. We will continue to work for the Kingdom that Christ proclaimed, with its emphasis on inclusion, freedom and justice.

The church, like every other organisation, will need to rethink how it works in a fast-changing world. But this is not a time to be inward looking, focusing only on our own survival. *'Seek the welfare of the city ... for in its welfare you will find your welfare.'* (Jeremiah 29.7) The next few years will be a time of recovery and renewal for everyone. We want to 'think globally and act locally,' taking the opportunity to forge new partnerships in the community; to reflect with our friends and neighbours on the changing patterns of city centre life; and to work together in new ways that will improve the quality of life for people in this area and in the wider world.

Our priorities for the next three years

1. To work closely with the local community on the recovery and renewal of the area
2. To underpin our mission and ministry with a new business plan that benefits both the church and the community
3. To celebrate our Bicentenary with the community
4. To foster discussion and change on wider climatic, economic and health issues

Given the uncertainty of the present situation, this Mission Action Plan will be reviewed in January each year, identifying specific action points for the year ahead.

Priorities	To include:	Actions for 2021	Begin by:
To work closely with the local community on the recovery and renewal of the area	<p>Community audit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the current and longer-term needs in our community? • What would the community like its parish church to be and to do? • What community discussions could we host? • What new partnerships could we form in the community? <p>Encourage the congregation to get involved with other community organisations</p>	<p>Commission Community Audit consultant</p> <p>PCC / Congregational involvement in audit</p> <p>Community involvement in audit</p> <p>PCC to plan follow up and identify next actions</p>	<p>Jan 2021</p> <p>Feb – March 2021</p> <p>April – May 2021</p> <p>July - Sept 2021</p>
To underpin our mission and ministry with a new business plan for the church that benefits the community	<p>Financial review of income, expenditure and investments</p> <p>Review of our activities in the light of our available resources</p> <p>What potential sources of income for us would most benefit the community?</p> <p>Bicentenary Appeal for specific building project</p>	<p>CRF 2 application</p> <p>2020 Accounts</p> <p>PCC discussions</p> <p>PCC to identify project Launch at APCM</p>	<p>Jan 2021</p> <p>April 2021</p> <p>March 2021</p> <p>March 2021 May 2021</p>
To celebrate our Bicentenary with the community	<p>7 May 2022 – a weekend of celebrations – garden party, concert, visit from Bishop of London, tours of the church and crypt etc</p> <p>Booklet / app / lecture on the church’s history and present life</p> <p>Merchandise</p> <p>School visits</p>	<p>Convene Bicentenary planning committee</p> <p>Approach historian</p>	<p>Jan 2021</p> <p>Jan 2021</p>
To foster discussion and change on wider climatic, economic and health issues	<p>How can we reduce our carbon footprint? Financial implications?</p> <p>What discussions / actions can we host / contribute to on climate change, social inequality, public health etc?</p> <p>Develop existing links with Mozambique and Sierra Leone</p>	<p>PCC discussions</p>	<p>Jan 2021</p>