

PARISH DEVELOPMENT PROFILE

Introductory Questionnaire

The questionnaire invites you to express *your own* impressions and preferences concerning the life of your parish church. There are 16 statements that cover key aspects, drawn from the experience of many parishes but amended for your particular location.

You are invited to rate each statement from 1 to 4 in two columns. These marks should indicate how you evaluate the *current achievement* of St Agatha's in each area and then *how important* you feel each topic is. It is usually best to mark the 16 questions for current assessment first and then start again with your importance ratings. Please be absolutely honest – remember this is your personal view – not what you believe others will think!

The key to deciding which mark to give is shown at the bottom of each page of the questionnaire.

The blank column is available for you to add any specific comment you may wish to add by way of illustration or clarification – but you are welcome to leave it blank.

It's best not to ponder too much! About 10-15 minutes should be sufficient time to complete the questionnaire.

The completed forms will be collated on the Away Day to show the "composite view" and to identify the topics which appear as the priorities for attention.

Please send/give your completed questionnaire to _____

by no later than (dd / mm / yyyy) _____

Questionnaire Key			
* Current Assessment		# Importance	
In all respects	(4)	Absolutely vital	(4)
In most respects	(3)	Very important	(3)
In a few respects	(2)	Moderately important	(2)
Not/hardly at all	(1)	Relatively unimportant	(1)

a) Worship and Prayer

Worship and Prayer		Current Assessment (1-4)*	Importance (1-4)#
Q1.	Patterns and content of worship are suited to existing and potential membership.		
Q2.	Profile of regular congregations reflects that of the local community.		
Q3.	Experimentation and variations in worship are tried and welcomed.		
Q4.	Prayer underpins our church life and decisions.		

b) Nurture and Growth of our Community

Nurture and Growth of our Community		Current Assessment (1-4)*	Importance (1-4)#
Q5.	Welcome strategies are effective in introducing newcomers into the life of the church.		
Q6.	We ensure that relationships are carefully nurtured so that people become absorbed into our community of faith.		
Q7.	People are actively encouraged to learn and to grow in faith.		
Q8.	We have full provision for children and young people to be part of our Community and to grow in faith.		

c) Mission and Outreach

Mission and Outreach		Current Assessment (1-4)*	Importance (1-4)#
Q9.	Our church is rooted in the local community and works with other organisations and networks.		
Q10.	We are confident in communicating and living out our faith in our community.		
Q11.	There is an effective system of pastoral care for members, visitors and the parish at large.		
Q12.	We are clear what we want the church to accomplish in the community.		

d) Purpose and Resources

Purpose and Resources		Current Assessment (1-4)*	Importance (1-4)#
Q13.	We have a clear vision of where God is now leading us and our priorities for the future.		
Q14.	Our ordained and lay leadership is sufficiently resourced and organised to meet the future needs of the parish.		
Q15.	We have sufficient financial resources for the current and planned needs of the parish.		
Q16.	Our buildings are sufficient to support our priorities for the future.		

Thank you for completing the questionnaire! Your feedback is very much appreciated.