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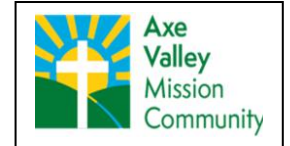
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Foster a deep sense of cohesions across the AVMC Mission Community							
<i>What can we do as individual churches to build relationships across the AVMC?</i>							
Church	Action	Who?	When?	Update/Notes	Aim	Value	Review
AS	Advertise all AS church & Friends of AS events in Pews News	ASPCC Sec	After each PCC	Send list to Parish Admin for inclusion in Pews News	C	1	Jan 2024
AXMTH	Continue building Lay Team	Team Leader	In hand now		B C	1 2	Jan 2024
AXMTH	Social event for Lay Leaders & Ministry Team	All Team	Spring 2024		C	1	Late Spring 2024
CSTK	Church opened daily with village opening/closing rota				C	2	
CSTK	Pray for the people of the village/parish/AVMC				A	3	
CSTK	Invite AVMC Wardens to monthly coffee mornings				C	1	
CSTK	Advertise events to the Pews News				C	1	
CSTK	Celebrate Rogation Services with All Saints and Membury				A	1	
CSTK	Community used bookstall in Church				C	2	
CSTK	Local flower arrangers to decorate the Church weekly and for festivals				C	1	
CSTK	Local bell ringing team				C	1	
CP	Support and offer to host 5 th Sunday services	All	Now		C	1	Ongoing & at CP PCC annually

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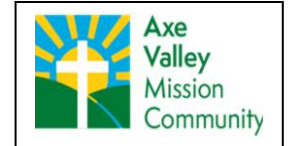
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HX	Consider reviving dementia service initiative – links to Home Communion activity below	NR	2024		C	1 2 3	
HX	Continue to provide minute secretary to Wardens Committee – agenda, emails, treasury, minutes etc.	PM	Ongoing		C	2	Annually
HX	Explore joint working with another AVMC church	NR/FR			C	1	
MEM	Café for Membury village		Most Fridays	To be advertised regularly	B C	1 2	
MEM	Special services, flower festivals, concerts, Christmas Tree Festivals for all				C	1	
MIN	Host 5 th Sunday combined service	Min Com/ Wardens	2024		C	1	
MIN	Use of Facebook	Min Com	ASAP		C	1	
MIN	Yearly Big Church Day Out	Min Com	2024		C	1	
MIN	Once a month movie night	Min Com	ASAP		C	1	
UL	Host social event for Churchwardens, clergy, PTOs, LLMs	UL PCC	Autumn 2023		C	1	Annually
UL	Reduce clergy meetings by holding joint PCCs	Clergy/PCCs			C	1	Ongoing
UL	Joint Carol Singing in outdoor venue	AVMC			C	1	Annually

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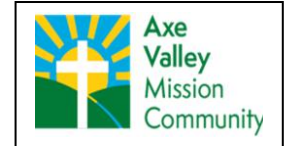


Growing missional discipleship through teaching, preaching, and enabling <i>How do we help people understand and connect with the church?</i>							
Church	Action	Who?	When?	Update/Notes	Aim	Values	Review
AXMTH	Encourage home groups and teaching opportunities	All Ministers & Diocese	From now	Team formed and part trained	B C	1 2	Annually
CSTK	To have a monthly informal All Age service	Volunteer in place			B	2 3	
CSTK	Street Fair involvement with use of the Church and a gazebo on the street for Mission				B C	1 2	
CP	Hold a Quiet Day	Clergy	Spring/Summer 2024	Rev Nicky and others to lead	A	1 3	Annually
HX	Continue Bible Study Group	J White	Sept 2023 ongoing		A	1 2 3	End of 2023
HX	Active promotion of the Carol Service with the aim of attracting different people to church	HX Com	Nov/Dec 2023		B	3	
HX	Pastoral care including leading on Home Communion across the AVMC	Prue Russell	Ongoing	Links to Anna Chaplaincy scheme	A B C	1 3	
MEM	Life events services in churches	AVMC		Be involved in the life of the community	A B C	3	
MIN	Bible study groups aimed at different groups of people e.g. long term worshippers, newcomers, old and young	Min Com	2024		A B C	1 2 3	
MIN	A course explaining Christianity	Volunteer	2024		A	3	
UL	Joint Lent Course	AVMC			A B	1	Annually
UL	Encourage more Lay Leaders and Intercessors to share around the AVMC	Staff Team			C	1 2	Ongoing

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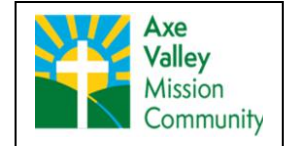


UL	Use Church as a venue to hold a Prayer Course	Staff/Lay Leaders			A	3	Annually
UL	Provide Prayer Ministry after services				A	3	Ongoing

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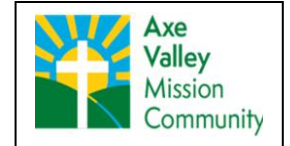
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Focusing on looking outward and community Engagement at all levels							
<i>How do we get out to meet people, find out what is going on in our community and join in?</i>							
Church	Action	Who?	When?	Update/Notes	Aim	Values	Review
AS	To continue Breakfast Fare	BF Team	Monthly		C	1	Jan 2024
AS	Our community comes together in many ways. Where can we join in and support and pastor to the village?	AS PCC	PCC Meeting		B C	1 3	Jan 2024
AXMTH	Hold events for/with special groups e.g., Friends, village hall, flower show committee. These can centre around church services or be separate celebrations of people.	Ministers and Axmth PCCs	Begin to plan now	These actions can centre around coffee and other social times and begin in the pulpit.	B C	1 2 3	Annually
CSTK	Create a memorial chapel with votive stand for Ukranian/Russian war				A	3	
CSTK	Fundraising concerts				C	2	
CSTK	Monthly coffee mornings				C	2	
CSTK	St Andrew's Day Fair. Church building involved with displays, refreshments and games. St Andrew's has won an award for an imaginative in church flight game.				B C	1	
CP	Offer the Church as a community collection point of appeals	CP PCC	As needed		C	1	Ongoing and at CP PCC
HX	New event "Woodbury Welcome" to target aged 50+ audience, possibly in conjunction with Woodbury Hall.	HX Com	Spring 2024		B C	1	

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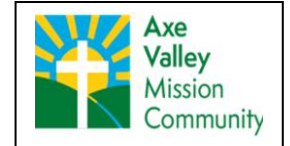
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HX	New signage for Church on the railings	FR	Q1 2024		C	1	
MEM	Special events helping with the community and being involved. Pews News, email tree for the parish.				C	1	
MIN	Encourage use of Church as a community venue	Min Com	2024		B	2	
MIN	Stall at Axe Vale Show and/or Axminster market	Min Com Congregation	2024		B	2	
UL	Community walks followed by lunch	UL PCC			C	3	Ongoing
UL	Advertise film nights more widely	UL PCC			C	3	Winter mths
UL	More involvement with village fete	UL PCC		Engage with fete committee	C	1	Annually

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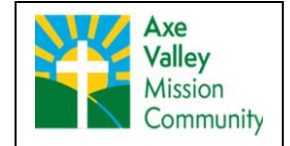
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Becoming a fully inclusive church with a focus on the involvement with children and young people <i>How do we ensure we are open, friendly and welcoming to all?</i>							
Church	Action	Who?	When?	Update/Notes	Aim	Values	Review
AXMTH	Embrace the principles of LFF and publish their statement at the church door.	Ministry Team & Axmth PCC	See Note	This is controversial and cannot be rushed MT must be committed first.	A B C	3	Ongoing
AXMTH	Greeting on entry and hospitality after services.	Sidespeople Ministers Refreshmt Servers	Now		C	3	
AXMTH	Publish user-friendly and accessible information about the church for visitors both in church and online.		Begin review and planning now		B C	2	
CSTK	To foster cohesion with our local Church School				B C	1	
CSTK	School holds end of term services in church.				B C	1	
CSTK	Family service to be organised asap.				B	1	
CSTK	School project display table in church.				B C	1	
CP	Hold a lego day aimed at young people – challenge to build a model village around the model of the church.	CP PCC & Rev Nicky	Spring/Summer 2024		B	1	

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HX	HX does not have its own parish so unlikely to focus on children and youth. Continue to recommend Uplyme for this.		Ongoing		A B	1	
HX	Continue to welcome all to services and events.	All	Ongoing		C	2	
HX	Produce a new summary about HX for new people at services.	HX Com	Dec 2023		C	1	
MEM	Open and friendly to everyone in the parish and church community. Involvement with the school – Christingle, forest school, end of term services.				C	1	
MIN	Toddler Group	Min Com	2024		B C	1 2	
MIN	Welcoming space for children in the Church on Sundays	Min Com	ASAP		A B C	1 2 3	
UL	Explore what it means to be a fully inclusive church	UL PCC		Resources for discussion	A B C	3	Annually
UL	Training for sidespeople on welcoming all	UL PCC			C	1 2	Annually
UL	Make every Sunday all inclusive and family friendly	AVMC			B C	1 3	Ongoing

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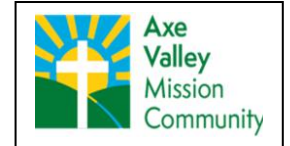
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To fully embrace what it means to be creation caring <i>How can we be an eco-friendly church?</i>							
Church	Action	Who?	When?	Update/Notes	Aim	Value	Review
AS	Conduct a survey of our Churchyard to see what is there	Marie Parker & Team	Ongoing	Seasonal monitoring until a full annual cycle is complete	B	1 2	Jun 2024
AXMTH	Show commitment from centre to an environmental culture.	Axmth PCC Ministers Lay Leaders	Planning now	Requires teamwork and cannot realistically be achieved by a single person	A C	1 2 3	Autumn 2024
AXMTH	Continue schemes e.g., AROCHA eco-church and work towards awards.						
AXMTH	Continue growing a strong eco-culture in church.						
CSTK	Low Energy lamps fitted				C	2	
CSTK	Use of 'plastic foam' for floral arrangements has been reduced				C	2	
CSTK	A flower patch in the churchyard for floral arrangements in church is planned				C	2	
CSTK	Young teenager using the churchyard for his DofE Award project.				C	2	
CSTK	Recycling novels at our church stall.				C	2	
CP	Investigate leaving sections of the churchyard for wildflowers. Look at eco church.				C	2	Ongoing and at CP

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HX	Apply for Eco Church Award from AROCHA	FR/JM	Q1 2024		C	2	
HX	Annual creation service could be linked to Rogation	FR/NR/CE	Rogation 2024		A B	1 3	
MEM	Carbon footprint, keeping the churchyard all grass, very little oasis used flowers in pots, no electricity used except at services.						
MIN	Reduce paper	PCCs & Parish Administrator	2024		C	1 2	
MIN	Enhance green space around the Church with plants that attract bees and butterflies	Min Com Congregation	ASAP		C	1 2	
MIN	Solar panels	Min Com	ASAP		C	1 2	
UL	Connect with School to encourage building homes for bugs	Eco/green group			B	1	
UL	Encourage youth involvement in making planters and sowing seeds	Eco/green group		Liaise with Horticultural Society for help	B	1	
UL	Encourage what it means for our church to be creation caring	LLM		Find prayer resources for worship intercessors and private prayer	A	1 2 3	