

## New Vicar for Christ Church Hilderstone

Further to my article in the December/January Parish Magazine on this topic, things have now moved on with regard to the presentation and process for selecting a new vicar.

Thank you to those people who submitted letters to the question I asked '*What qualities are we, as a village, looking for in a new vicar?*' and your views have been incorporated in **The Profile**.

Over the Christmas period both the PCCs subcommittees in Fulford and Hilderstone, together with Rev Preb Cathy Case, have been working hard to prepare **The Profile**. This 19 page document details the objectives of each parish, the village profile and the Mission Action Plan that we expect the new vicar to assist us in achieving. The document will also be used to enable a candidate to determine if this is the post for him/her. It will be available to candidates on the website once they have viewed the advert that will appear in the *Church Times* before the end of January 2017. You also will be able to view **The Profile** on our Hilderstone Village website about the same time. Once this process has been completed the interviews will commence in March 2017.

Contained in **The Profile** is **Our Mission Action Plan** for Christ Church. This is the plan that the PCC, with your support, would like to achieve with the help of our new vicar. The new vicar will not be employed full time and is referred to as a '*House for Duty Vicar*' (2 days plus Sundays covering both parishes).

Previously the Rev Preb Peter Dakin was only allocated the same time for parish work. His rural ministry with the farming community plus his position as Rural Dean occupied his weekly schedule.

View the complete **Profile** [here](#).

### Christ Church Hilderstone – Mission Action Plan

- Bring the facilities at Christ Church into the 21<sup>st</sup> century in order to expand the range of activities to the wider community.
- Review services and consider fresh approaches.
- Explore opportunities to include a wider range of music in services.
- Increase the participation of the congregation in services through intercessions/readings.

- Look at ways of communicating PCC information to the congregations and encourage proactive support and valuable feedback.
- Establish a maintenance programme for the church fabric.
- Continue the Open Church policy from April to September.
- Identify two charities a year to support through fund raising.
- Look for opportunities to engage with the wider community in participating in joint events.

Thank you for your continued support and attendance during the interregnum where are so fortunate in having a service each week with a variety of Vicars.

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12<sup>th</sup> January 2017