

Amersham Deanery

Terms of Reference for Mission and Pastoral Committee

Mission and Pastoral Committee Role

The Mission and Pastoral Committee (M&P) has oversight of the Deanery and its constituent parishes. It is responsible for our long-term strategy, the Deanery Plan and the management of clergy vacancies and advising on issues of pastoral re-organisation. Individual members take an interest in individual parishes and may accompany the Area Dean on visits.

In the immediate term Mission and Pastoral committee will:-

- Develop 5 year Deanery Plan from 2022
- Co-ordinate Deanery arrangements for the visit of Bishop Steven Croft to Amersham in May 2022.

Frequency of Meetings

The committee meets three to four times per year, mainly in person but with the possibility of meeting by Zoom. Each parish has an inspection visit to meet with Churchwardens every two or three years.

Composition of M&P Committee

Membership of the Committee consists of:-

- Area Dean
- Deanery Lay Chair
- Elected Clergy Representatives – 3 of
- Elected Lay Representatives – 4 of.

Clergy and Lay representatives are drawn from the Deanery Chapter and Deanery Synod House of Laity. Normal period of service is for three years.

The M&P Committee may co-opt other individuals to M&P as required.

Election to M&P

Notice of Elections to M&P is provided to Synod members at least two weeks in advance of the Synod at which the Election will be held. Candidates should apply by writing /emailing the Synod Hon Secretary and include a supporting seconding by one other Deanery Synod member. In the event of there being more nominations than positions, there will be a ballot at the Synod.

Election is for a normal period of service of three years.

Rev'd Peggy Ludlow
Area Dean

Mr Lawrence Tebboth
Lay Chair