

Background

COMMON VISION: *How is this enabled, supported and embedded in our churches?*

- (a) Introduction to a Common Vision discernment process for preparing and reviewing plans for mission.

'Into deep water: a resource for the reviewing and renewing of our local mission: an update on the progress for developing resources which deaneries and local churches could use to discern, explore, decide, and implement their plans for mission through the lens of our Common Vision. This paper outlines the research, underlying vision and values and proposed shape which has emerged from a working group comprising Diocesan advisers, in consultation with the Archdeacon of Buckingham and parish clergy.

- (b) The Development Fund and its operation

Development Fund overview: A three-page summary of the proposals which have been shared and discussed with Bishop's Council and the Planning & Budget Sub-Committee. This paper explains the context and aims of the Development Fund, together with key features of how the Fund will operate. A full set of documentation has been drafted, including application forms, guidance for applicants and feedback forms: this is being finalised and will be released in due course.