

LOCKING MISSION ACTION PLAN – VISION THEMES

Unity & love

We should ALL be reaching out in love and kindness

Work towards changing attitudes towards one another showing respect, love and kindness

Create more opportunities to get together in a social setting ie. quiz nights, fish and chip suppers, shared lunches, Quiz, Sunday lunches, ladies' supper, men's breakfasts.

Welcome all ages, cultures etc in love and friendship into our church community

Prayer & obedience

Prayer before and after all meetings

Prayer in vestry before service

In services testimonies

How can we bless people in the parish? Gave Easter gifts to ARK, Christmas cakes to shops next

Welcome & accessible

Look at how to 'keep up the welcome'

Knowing who has special needs ie. large print – would you like a book? Large print available – just finished BCP Communion

Look at notice board display in centre lobby to make it more attractive

Encourage those who belong to centre groups eg Locking Seniors, Craft Club to get to know people well and to invite just one person to something - become inviters to people

Outward – looking & example

Employ a children's worker for a year

Oaktree Park – monthly afternoon tea and cakes with favourite hymns – explore in the future

Doing/supporting God's work & service

Street praying (local) Love Locking cards and article in mag

Anne to attend and present badges at guiding assembly.

Locking Parklands community church - foster and improve links.

Mission Service took place in September

Equipped, outreach & healed

Open church – meeting folk from church we've never met before.

We need to learn to share our story with each other – possibly home groups.

Elderly congregation – few younger ones – needs re-balancing.

Need to be very welcoming.

Need to build relationships with those on the fringe and outside.

Use contacts through local village groups, neighbours etc.

Invite those who don't usually come to things like open gardens etc.

Important to have friends / being involved with groups outside church.