

St John's Church Ravenhead Project 2019

'... to give you hope and a future.'

Volunteering Survey – June 2016

The PCC would like to understand why people in our congregation may or may not choose to volunteer. As part of Project 2019, we hope to inspire new volunteers and leaders from within our church – if you could please complete and return our questionnaire by Sun 19 June, it would help the PCC in their discussions.

Question 1

Do you volunteer at/for St John's Church and/or Centre at present?

- Yes, for the church Yes, for the Centre Yes, for both No

If you answered "Yes", go to Question 2; if "No", go to Question 9

Question 2

Thank you. We appreciate your help. Could you give us some idea why you choose to volunteer (choose as many as appropriate)?

- I feel I should For company, friendship and fellowship
 It's my Christian duty If I didn't do it, nobody else would
 I care for St John's Church and its future I got lumbered
 I see it as an act of worship/commitment to God I enjoy it
 To help the church grow/survive It's a hobby/something to do

If you have any additional comments/answers to Question 2, please write them here...

Question 3

How much longer do you think you will be happy to volunteer at St John's?
(Tick as many as appropriate)

- For years to come Until we get a vicar
- At least another few years Up to another 12 months or so
- I'd like to step down from one or more of my roles as soon as possible

Question 4

Do you feel properly supported, equipped and trained for your role(s)?
(Tick as many as appropriate)

- I feel properly supported I feel properly equipped
- I feel properly trained No, not at all

If you have ticked 'No', please speak to us – we want to support you in your role and would like to hear why you don't feel you have enough support.

Question 5

Would you be willing to go on training to help you in your role?

- Yes No

Question 6

Would you be willing to work alongside new volunteers to show them how to do your role, so they can help you, fill in when you're not available?

- Yes No

Question 7

Would you be happy to take on more roles in the Church and/or Centre?

- Yes No

Question 8

Please write any further comments below,
and continue on a separate sheet if you wish...

Question 9

If you are happy to tell us, why do you not currently choose to volunteer here?
(Tick as many as appropriate)

- I volunteer elsewhere I don't have the time Personal circumstances
- I don't want to I'm new here I don't know what there is to do
- I'm too old I'm too young I've feel I've done my bit in the past
- I don't feel I'd be welcome or wanted I don't feel I have the ability
- I'm thinking of leaving the church I don't want the commitment
- I feel I'm prevented from volunteering at the church/centre
- Somebody is already doing what I'd want to do

If you have any additional comments/answers to Question 9, please write them here...

Question 10

If you knew you could work alongside somebody and be shown how to do something, would it help you want to volunteer?

- Yes No

Question 11

If we produced a list of small jobs that need doing, would you be willing to take on such a position?

- Yes No

Question 12

If you could work occasionally, on a rota with others, would you volunteer?

- Yes No

Question 13

If there were jobs you could do at home (eg. filling in forms, typing, research etc.), would you be willing to take on such a position?

Yes No

Question 14

Do you feel you would be welcome to volunteer if you wanted to?

Yes No

Question 15

If you have any comments regarding why you don't volunteer, what would help you decide to volunteer, please write your comments below, and attach a separate sheet if need be...

Question 16

Thank you for filling in this questionnaire.

The PCC will receive and discuss your responses. To help us put your answers into context, please tick the appropriate boxes below...

Male Female Under 18 18 – 30 30 – 50 50 – 65 Over 65

If you would like a **private, no-commitment conversation** with the Churchwarden about your responses or volunteering opportunities at St John's Church or St John's Centre, please write your name below and, if appropriate, what you'd like to volunteer to do. Your name will not be associated with your answers or comments to the PCC. If you have any other relevant comments, please also include them on an attached paper.

If you would like to discuss volunteering without including your name here, please contact Margaret Abbot on 01744 758554.