

Minutes 21st April 2026 7pm

Navigation Meeting - Sefton

Date:	21 st April 2026
Time:	7pm
Place:	St Lukes
Attendees:	Laura Pilgrim, Louis Johnston, Paul Beardwood, Laura Heywood, Karen Stark, Sue Green, Jim Stewart, Helen Hunter
Apologies:	Amanda Bruce, Georgina Abram

Prayer: Louis led prayers

	Who by	When by
<p>Introduction and updates:</p> <p>Laura P confirmed that the original minutes written for meetings by Georgina are through and detailed then Laura redacts them as needed based on what may be confidential or not ready to be shared at this point in time. There is a delay of these minutes going onto the website in which people are welcome to share details they specifically want to be made clear in the minutes.</p> <p>As the navigation team aren't in a decision-making capacity regarding deanery reorganisation so the entire conversation wasn't required to be made public. That she hoped the mins reflected <i>what</i> we discussed and outcome.</p> <p>Jim noted a need for clarity on the variety of opinions expressed in the team and who this feedback is being passed on to.</p> <p>A query was raised on the area dean consultation process which was clarified.</p> <p>Safeguarding meeting</p> <p>The meeting was successful though not fully attended. The PSOs were enthusiastic about the team environment and the support available. Individuals that couldn't attend will be followed up with a one-to-one with Kate Kennedy (FfM Pso support)</p> <p>Buildings information session</p> <p>The buildings information session was successful and well attended.</p> <p>There has already been some interest in joining the buildings team.</p>		

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Laura P expressed gratitude for the navigation team members in attendance. She expressed the importance of having non-diocese voices sharing their experiences and encouragement throughout the process.

Karen felt that the refreshments were very successful and should be repeated at similar events in the future.

Joint worship service

The team discussed the organisation of the upcoming joint worship service.

The team decided that the navigation team will be focussed on more in introductions rather than clergy, to remove the feeling that this is solely a top-down process.

The event is planned to be approximately 1 hour. The team will arrive 45 mins - 1 hour to prepare.

Laura H volunteered to manage the digital link to the service for those unable to attend in person.

The team decided not to record the service.

Action: Laura P will create and print a handout with the map of the deanery and a call to prayer.

LP

The team discussed the order of service and scripture included. They confirmed a selection they were happy with, and a series of questions to base the service around.

The team discussed the start and end of the service and agreed the navigation team would be present at both to answer questions.

Action: Laura P will bring pens, post it notes and labels to the event.

LP

Communications

Paul B has been working with Clare Coombes to plan the communications information session on May 9th. The team decided to remove the RSVP from the poster before sharing.

The navigation team are welcome to attend this meeting, but it is not necessary if they are unavailable.

Future meeting dates

Laura P confirmed that there will be no meetings in August.

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<p>April 28th – 7pm May 5th- 7pm May 12th – 7pm May 19th – TBC</p> <p>AOB</p> <p>Paul shared that he has been reflecting on potential guiding principles of the team, focussing on each church retaining its individual identity. The team discussed how this will be built into communications and decision making to ensure people are comfortable. Action: Jim will share more on this in next week's opening prayer.</p>	<p>JS</p>	
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Next meeting: April 28th St Lukes 7pm