

**NORTHREACH PROJECT UPDATE #6 –  
NOVEMBER 2017**



Even though it's not been evident to most of you, the NorthReach Project Group have been meeting over the summer months and into the autumn to ensure we keep up the momentum of the project. We also held a Communication Day in September to share the latest plans with the community. This was well attended but mostly by members of the congregation, even though we had personally invited those who live close to the Church to come along and see what we have planned. We will continue to reach out to the wider community as the Project progresses.

Following further feedback from the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) we have instructed our architects to make a formal planning application to Poole Borough Council using the latest set of plans that are on display in the Church Hall. This latest design has been adjusted to take account of pre-application advice from the Council and also initial feedback from the DAC.

The planning application should take approximately 3 months to complete so we hope to receive a response sometime during February 2018.

Our fundraising efforts are starting to bear fruit and we have had positive feedback from one funding organisation and a definite pledge from another so please look out for further information on these in the coming months. We still have other organisations to approach so this will be an ongoing process over the coming months.

We all felt it was worthwhile to keep in mind how far we have come with the Project over the last few years, what our original aim was and also what constraints we have had to take into account in our planning. The "Statement of Need" document we prepared sets this out very well indeed and we will be making this available on the noticeboard; on the website and in the Parish Office for everyone to view.

Please keep the Project and the Project Team in your prayers.

**The NorthReach Project Team**

**23 November 2017**