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We reviewed the material from our deanery plan.

We had a benefice lunch and following that spent time discerning the way forward together.

Your Plan for Growth can be submitted online. Here is an example of what it might look like.

1 Who are we?

Benefice: St Michael and All Angels, Todworth
Contact Person Name: Phil Dykes
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Role: Evangelist

2 Our priorities

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When was this Plan for Growth agreed by the PCCs?
November 2022

3 Process

How did you listen to God, to the church and wider community?
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How did you listen to younger generations?
- We borrowed a Licensed Children and Families minister from a neighbouring parish to help us create and used a questionnaire with families we know in the area.
We use the Emmaus Course to help people explore what they believe. We run this once a year.

Our Reader leads us in following different courses each Lent and Advent on subjects like suffering, the environment.

We set up a Food Bank during lockdown and plan to develop this work.

We are a small church with a challenging context. We want to talk to someone about how to re-energise those who are already church members to see a way forward. We would like to speak to someone about how to start to do this.

How can we help you?
What do you need help with to make your plan work? There will be a list for you to choose from including: Vocations, children and family, youth, missional ideas – buildings, environment, giving, grant applications, creating a benefice council, discipleship courses, faith sharing, new forms of church and so on. Describe the help you need:

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What help is available?
If you would like help please contact the Revd Phil Dykes, Diocesan Mission Enabler: phil.dykes@cofesuffolk.org 07917 385843

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