

# Penwith Deanery News

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## February 2023 Update

### Welcome

Welcome to the February edition of the Penwith Deanery Implementation Team News.

### Penwith Deanery Synod

The first Deanery Synod for this year is being organised for the 18th April 6.00pm at Paul. The agenda will focus on the Deanery Plan progress to date and there will be an opportunity to meet the Deanery Implementation Team. Deanery Synod Members please do put this date in your diaries. We will also use this Synod to publicise the need for a new Standing Committee.

Before Synod meets there will be a one page summary of the Penwith Deanery Plan sent out with the March Deanery News Sheet. Please do make this summary and the regular Deanery News Sheets available to all in the churches of the Deanery.

### Penwith Rural Dean and part time incumbent for Gulval and Madron

Although the post of Penwith Rural Dean and part time Incumbent for Gulval and Madron sparked interest from around half a dozen clergy from across the country, for various reasons there was not a firm application for the post. Feedback from those who considered applying was along the line that though attracted to the post, after further consideration this was not the right time to move. After meeting with parish representatives of Gulval and Madron and Towednack and Zennor consideration is now being given to the separating out of the two roles for further recruiting of both an Incumbent and a Rural Dean.

## Land's End Transition

Ten people, representing the five parishes and two benefices of the proposed Lands End Benefice have been meeting since early January to discern God's vision and the mission and ministry priorities for the benefice. The Statement of Needs will include this vision which is based on the newly formed deanery plan and a profile from each of the parishes, summarising the community in which it is based and the needs and opportunities within those communities. We are looking to advertise throughout May and interview short-listed applications in early-June.

## Godrevey Benefice

After eleven years service in the Godrevey Team the Rev Sharon Clifton announced her retirement for the end of this month on 28th February. Sharon's final Sunday in the Benefice is on February Feb 19th when there is a service held at St. Erth at 11.00am followed by a shared lunch for all who would wish to express their thanks to Sharon and wish her well for the future.

Archdeacon Paul and Julian Briscoe (Transitions Advisor) will be meeting with the PCC's in March regarding next steps after the vacancy and the Deanery's Plan for the Hayle Estuary Benefice

## Prayer

Led by Debbie Harris the Deanery Prayer Group set up at the beginning of 'On the Way' has continued to meet fortnightly to pray for the Deanery, its parishes and the implementation team's work with the deanery plan. The prayer group meets via zoom on a monthly basis and a schedule of dates for the meetings is attached for information and for display in your churches.

As well as prayer needs for the implementation the Prayer Group would really like to pray for the parishes so please do let Debbie know if there are particular things to pray for as well.



## Penwith Deanery Prayer Meetings 2023

The prayer group will meet at 7pm by zoom on the following Thursday evenings to pray for the needs of the people of Penwith, our parishes and the Deanery Plan:

February 23rd

March 30th

April 27th

May 25th

June 22nd

July 27th

August 31st

September 28th

October 26th

November 30th

For zoom link contact [debbiesjif@gmail.com](mailto:debbiesjif@gmail.com)