1) The process began with Bishops Martyn and Guli calling us all to pray as we think about the future of the diocese.

2) Followed by collecting literally hundreds of stories that you sent in about faith and your Christian community’s experience of “everyday faith” during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

3) A period of “making sense” of those stories with groups drawn from all over the diocese reading them for insights, seeing what patterns emerge and finding out what we can learn from them.

4) Then a phase of experimentation and innovation (an “adventure of the imagination”) as we use the insights from your stories to inform new ways of doing church, faith and ministry, in parishes, churches, fresh expressions, schools and chaplaincies.

5) A time of conversation as we talk and listen together as a diocese about where we see God leading us.

6) As we follow that lead, important, exciting (but sometimes difficult) decisions will need to be made by our Synod in May 2021 as we move forward Shaped By God Together.