

## **REPORT BY THE TASK GROUPS TO JUNE CLT MEETING and CIRCULATED TO THE CONGREGATION ON 20 July 2014**

The CLT requested working drafts of the Scoping documents outlining how the three priority areas from the Visioning Day will be implemented over the next three to five years.

Copies of the three scoping documents were circulated at the meeting to each CLT member for comment and further direction back to the task groups.

The three scoping documents (identified, as follows as (A), (B) and (C)) will be on file as part of the meeting's record.

### **(A) Developing Christian Maturity**

At 8 pm Lisa Gunders joined the meeting and was invited to join Glenys Taylor in leading the CLT through the draft scoping document.

Additional comments included:

- CLT agreed that a joint meeting with task group (B) 'Building Community and a sense of belonging' would be of great benefit to the congregation and community for identifying encouraging ways of forming relationships in order to grow as individuals and together.
- Good idea to have 'champions' for the new program and various activities that become identified as ways in which people might grow in their faith.
- Strategies of how to support 'champions' are very important.
- Very aware that people can and do at times feel overloaded. CLT agreed with the suggestion of taking advantage of what we/other churches/organisations are already doing.
- The finalized program/scoping document needs to be ready for inclusion in Oxley/Darra UC Profile in August 2014.
- Implementation of ideas/activities does not need to wait for a final approved document. They can begin when the task group feels it is appropriate.
- There is no 'end-date' for running the program/activities within the program.
- Program/activities will become part of Ministry Area discussion/evaluation and reporting to CLT.

CLT commended the task group on its great start and looks forward to further work being done on the scoping document.

### **(B) Building Community and a sense of belonging**

Sharyn Sinnamon led CLT through the draft scoping document. Additional comments included:

- CLT agreed that multiple forms of communication are important including web-based media, the Church's website, email, Facebook etc. Hard copy remains important including Church notice sheet and individual notices about programs and events; Share to receive greater input and to be of consistent quality to reflect who we are as a church community.
- People need to know contact points for various church / church related activities to encourage communication as a two-way information gathering exercise. Encourage people to ask the questions as well as looking at information already provided and available.
- In the future, work towards creating a 'Communication Hub' of all involved in all various media formats that support and enhance the work and witness of the Oxley-Darra UC.
- Agree that the CLT/Pastoral Care Ministry Area Coordinator should always ask/seek others as appropriate to join strategies within the scoping document to ensure a good balance of input; also identifying suitable 'champions' and ongoing support for them and strategies.
- CLT commended the task group on its great start and looks forward to further work being done on the scoping document.

### **(C) Honouring and Embracing Servant Leadership**

Vicki Robinson lead CLT through the draft scoping document. Additional comments included:

- CLT suggested wording changes in respect to 'Ministry Support Group' to reflect offering a range of support as available/if required.
- Russell Morris confirmed that there is an expectation/requirement of all UC Ministers to have commitments to the work of the wider UC and Presbytery and these should be acknowledged. How much involvement is always going to be a tricky question.

CLT commended the task group on its great start and looks forward to further work being done on the scoping document.

Completion of scoping documents for CLT approval

Each Task Group was encouraged to consider "Hows" at their next meetings.

In thanking all task groups, CLT Chairperson, Vicki Robinson reminded task group leaders that the CLT meeting of August 2014 is the projected timeframe for CLT to approve the scoping documents for inclusion at section 1.17 of the Oxley/Darra UC Profile.