



Mission Area Conference Bulletin – JANUARY 2025

Lay Worship Leader Training

This training is taking place to help LWLs to lead short courses. It is not mandatory that LWLs lead courses but some LWLs want to develop in this way. The date is Saturday 08 Feb 9.30 – 12.30pm at St Cynfarchs, Hope.

Wardens Forum

The next Wardens Forum is being held on the 30th Jan at All Saints, Lane End, Buckley. The MAC would also like to thank all Wardens for their hard work over Advent and Christmas.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and all people with a position within the Church need to undertake safeguarding training. New dates are available for training. If you're unsure of whether you need to do the training, or what training to undertake please contact your church safeguarding lead.

Finance

The Share Allocation for 2025 has been approved by the MAC. As ever, these are challenging times for our churches and your support is very much appreciated. We are looking at innovative ways to raise money and also raise awareness of the costs associated with opening our churches. If you have any fundraising suggestions please contact the MAC office. The MAC would also like to thank all Treasurers for their hard work over the last 12 months and in developing their budgets to help with the share allocation.

Vestry Meetings and MAC AGM

All vestry meetings need to take place prior to the 31st March in preparation for the MAC AGM which will be held 14th April at Bistre Church Hall. Please ensure that all forms are completed and returned to the MAC office by the 31st March 2025. The 2025 forms have been sent out along with the Annual Report questionnaire.

Mission Area Development

You may know the saying, a failure to plan is a plan to fail. As a new Mission Area we need to develop a plan which will enable us to grow, strengthen our community links and become sustainable. Developing that plan is not just the role of the MAC, but all members of our Churches. Some options for our vision statement (what we aspire to achieve in the long term) and our values statement (our guiding principles) have been developed. Once these have been agreed the MAC will be developing a plan on a page to set out our priorities and key actions for the next three years. More detailed plans will underpin the plan on the page and it will enable us to feed back to our congregations the progress we have made.

We want to hear your views on what you think our vision and values should be. The easiest way to do this is to scan the QR code and complete our feedback form.



Alternatively you can speak to your MAC representative and they will be able to provide you with a copy of the proposals and a feedback form.

Fundraising Activities

If you have any events planned, do please let us know and we can share the information to attract a wider audience. Or if you have any ideas for raising funds and would like some support to develop that idea, again please do get in touch. We have a lot of experience across the MA so let's use it!