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As part of the Diocesan Growth Strategy this Development Team's remit is to encourage growth by taking the gospel message out into local communities. The team are committed to supporting local initiatives which are designed to spread the good news of Jesus Christ in local areas. It is expected that much of the mission will address issues of social need and justice such as poverty, homelessness, unemployment, immigration, imprisonment, domestic abuse, inclusion, addiction and ecological concerns.

Growth happens at local level and therefore the team's main focus is to support congregations as they reach out into their own local areas. Initially the former convenor Revd Kenneth Macaulay and the Team assisted congregations in conducting Community Audits which helped identify areas of potential growth. The Team are now eager to support congregations move forward with their growth plans. Much of the support will involve the sharing of ideas and experiences from around the diocese. An annual Diocesan event will raise awareness of issues of concern to us all. This Team will work alongside the other five Development Teams in an effort to assist congregations.

The Team has been allocated a budget to support local congregations as they reach out to others. Small grants are available for the following categories – Access and Equality, Social Inclusion, Older People, Children, Youth and Families, Ecumenical projects (diocesan)/Episcopal Schools

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The Team also administer the St Martin-in-the Field Vicar's Fund Grant. The Diocese of Glasgow & Galloway receives this Grant because of the level of social deprivation in the area. The Grant is specifically designed to address the issue of homelessness. Small amounts of money are available to help achieve or maintain tenancy. The aim is to help in crisis situations; therefore applications are dealt with timeously.

Guidance and Applications Forms can be accessed via website at

The Team look forward to hearing from you

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Imaginative Outreach into Local Communities Development Team has been established to encourage local churches to work with others for the benefit of the whole community – and to take risks in living and sharing the Gospel in relevant ways.

The Development Team wants to help local churches develop partnerships, networks and engagement with other agencies and charities that seek to respond to the needs of the local community.

Your local churches may already be involved in a wide range of activities. To help establish and develop these initiatives, small grants may be available from the Diocese and the Province.

Our Remit

It is not in our remit to instigate or direct particular projects, only to offer support if requested and to facilitate communications and the sharing of good practice. Our remit is:

- 1.To gather information about social problems and needs within the diocese, to draw the attention of the Bishop and Diocesan Council to these matters, and to provide information relevant to the solution or alleviation of these problems. To propose responses which the Church might make.
- 2.To keep contact with individual churches and groups of churches about social problems particularly relevant to these churches, and to work with them, under the direction of the Diocese.
- 3.To be aware of developing problems and make the Bishop and Diocesan council aware of these situations, if possible, before they become acute.
- 4.To explore sources of funding, and the best ways of accessing these funds. To maintain communication with those who control these funds and to be aware of the

parameters in which they work. To ensure that local churches and groups of churches, which need money for these purposes, know how to gain access to it.

5.To keep contact with organisations in the Scottish Episcopal Church, or working with the SEC, which deal with social needs, and to ensure that their efforts are coordinated.

6.To visit churches and speak about the work of the SEC in providing for social needs.

7.To maintain links with other Christian churches, and with other faith communities, insofar as there are social needs which we can better solve together.

Grant Application Forms

The Imaginative Outreach into Local Communities Development Team offers grants to help local churches develop partnerships, networks and engagement with other agencies and charities that seek to respond to the needs of the local community.

To apply for a grant, please download the 'Application Form' and 'Guidance Notes' from the Action Networks directory of this site's 'Downloads' section.

Please be sure to read the 'Guidance Notes' before completing the Application Form.

Regional Representatives

Please let us know - through your regional representative listed below - what is going on in your charge.

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Related Documents
Filing cabinet
Development Team for Imaginative Outreach into Local Communities documents and other files are available from our Documents & Forms section
Upcoming Development Team for Imaginative Outreach into Local Communities events:
There are no related events at present.