



# Care and Nurture

St Agnes Longsight

## Notes from a meeting held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2008

### **Present:**

Pearl, Beryl, Denzil, Leah, Stephen

### **1. Back to Church Sunday**

This will now be a Back to Church weekend – we are also holding our first alternative worship event on the Saturday evening. We will discuss this at the next meeting.

### **2. Welcoming to church**

The PCC discussed the issues raised by this group and a sermon/presentation had already been given in church. Still some talking from adults during service. Agree to monitor the situation but keep reminding people about the need for quiet, no eating, peace, coffee etc. Put a notice on the newsletter about talking?

The discussion about Children & Communion will be looked at by the PCC in July.

### **3. Bereavement Service**

The leaflet was agreed on with a slight change of wording: the title of the service to be renamed 'Thanks for the Memories'. The group will organise tea, coffee, cake etc and hand out the leaflets. We will ask congregation members to give the invitations to those they know who have been recently bereaved. Stephen will try to get plant bulbs for the service (given out as symbols of new life/resurrection). The service is about 20 minutes long, there will be no hymns, simply music, readings, reflection and opportunity to come up, place the name of a loved one, light a candle etc. We will have people at the candle stands to ensure safety, help etc with candle lighting. Everyone will be given a red candle and prayer card as they leave.

**Next meeting:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30am