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For the attention of the:
Parish Council of Twigworth

Dear Parish Council

**MISSION AND PASTORAL MEASURE 2011
BENEFICES OF: Twigworth, Down Hatherley, Norton, the Leigh, Evington, Sandhurst
and Staverton with Boddington ('Seven Towers Benefice'); St John the Evangelist,
Churchdown and Innsworth; Longlevens**

The Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee is considering making recommendations to the Bishop under the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011. These may affect the benefices named above and their constituent parishes and for the closure for regular worship of St Matthew's Church, Twigworth. No decision has yet been reached about the future use of the building, and further consultations will be undertaken following a use-seeking period. I enclose a copy of the preliminary draft proposals which the Committee has under discussion.

Before deciding on its recommendations to the Bishop, the Committee is required to ascertain the views of all the interested parties. The Committee will consider the views of all interested parties before coming to a final decision on what, if any recommendations it should make to the Bishop.

An incumbent affected by these proposals has the right under the Measure to meet representatives of the Committee to present his or her views. A Parochial Church Council or its appointed representative may request to meet the Committee's representatives to discuss its views.

Notice is served on the local planning authority and parish council of the parish in which the affected church building is situated as interested parties under the Mission and Pastoral Measure. Although County and Town Councils are not defined as interested parties under this Measure, please copy this correspondence to these parties as a means of encouraging wider consultation at an early stage. Ward Councillors for the affected parish, although not defined as interested parties under this Measure, have also been sent a copy of the draft proposals.

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I should be grateful if views, together with any requests for a meeting with the Committee's representatives, could be forwarded to me in writing as soon as possible and not later than by 22nd April 2019.

Yours sincerely

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