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To the clergy and people of the Deanery of Wrockwardine

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

I have recently received your Covenant Statement in response to the six criteria for shared ministry. Thank you for the work you have undertaken in relation to the process of translating from the old Mandate into the new Covenant Scheme. Under the direction of your Team Rector and with sterling work from Rosalie Wheeldon, the churches of the Deanery of Wrockwardine have completed their joint response to the Diocese's 'Criteria for Recognition as a Covenanted Parish' document and your Deanery now meets all the criteria required in relation to the new scheme and I am happy to recommend the translation.

Therefore, effective from the date of this letter, I am glad to affirm your commitment to shared leadership and ministry as a Covenanted Benefice under the new scheme for the next five years - when a further review will need to be undertaken. It will be important that mention of this important development should be published in your team/church newsletters, magazines and/or websites - and also be included in any future parish profiles.

I shall continue to prayerfully follow the development of shared ministry in your area with interest trusting your mission as a local church becomes increasingly fruitful in serving the Kingdom of God.

Signed

Revd George Fisher – Director of Mission

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