

THE TEXT OF THE AGREED STRATEGY

'WALKING TOGETHER IN FAITH – A STRATEGY FOR THE DIOCESE IN EUROPE'

We seek to build a common purpose throughout the diocese by:

- Knowing ourselves as the beloved children of God
- Loving God and our neighbour and sharing the Good News
- Generating a shared sense of direction in the power of the Holy Spirit
- Providing a focus for all that we do.

We will work towards this by:

- **Building up the Body of Christ and fostering growth**
Within the Anglican tradition through each congregation and in partnership with other Churches by:
 - Deepening faith and practice in prayer and worship
 - Teaching the faith and promoting Christian education
 - Encouraging and supporting the vocation of all the baptised
 - Nurturing new disciples especially young people
- **Sharing, with other churches and agencies in the evangelisation of Europe by**
 - Proclaiming the Good News
 - Valuing and sustaining a culture of welcome, invitation and hospitality
 - Seeking opportunities for growth
- **Striving for the creation of a just society and a sustainable environment by**
 - Defending the poor, the disadvantaged, and those in need
 - Promoting a discipline and culture of safeguarding
 - Combatting slavery and human trafficking
 - Challenging the comfortable
 - Encouraging care for creation
- **Working for reconciliation**
 - Within the Church at all levels
 - Among nations, ethnicities and religions
 - By intentional engagement with the institutions of Europe
- **Resourcing through**
 - Stewardship of our gifts and talents
 - Increasing numbers of full time clergy and candidates for ordained ministry, attending to
 - Recruitment
 - Retention
 - Resources
 - Well structured archdeaconries