

LEEDS NORTH EAST CIRCUIT

CIRCUIT MEETING SUMMARY - JUNE 2011

Final celebration services were held at **Woodhouse** on Sunday 12th June. More than 120 people attended the evening Circuit Service. Although there was sadness there was also a sense of hope for the future.

The Circuit Meeting unanimously agreed that **Mary Saddler**'s work as the **Trinity Pastoral Support Worker** should continue until 31st August 2012

The **Social Networking/Online Media Project** in which **Revd Graeme Dutton** has been involved will continue for a further year from September 2011

From September 2011 **Revd Andrew Atkins** and **Revd Graeme Dutton** will have **shared pastoral charge** of **Alwoodley Park, Chapel Allerton** and **Shadwell** churches and the **Moortown Project**

In July, **Vicky Atkins** will be ordained as a deacon and **Anne Jeffrey** (nee Kilvington) will be ordained as a presbyter.

David Laycock has been appointed as the new **Circuit Steward** from September. He replaces Doug Aveyard.

Associate Minister status is being sought for **David Paton-Williams** who is the vicar at **St Edmund's, Roundhay**.

Property Schedules should be sent to **Andrew Wray (Circuit Property Adviser)** by **31st October**.

New Circuit Proposals (includes developments since the Circuit Meeting)

- Our Circuit Meeting and Leeds East Circuit Meeting are not in agreement about staffing at this stage and we expect to be working as two separate Circuits in 2012.
- Given the current financial situation, the number of presbyters in Leeds North East Circuit will decrease from 5 to 4 in September 2012.
- Conversations continue as to how the formation of a new Circuit can proceed, pending a decisive vote to go forward, which is planned for the September 2011 Circuit Meeting.
- **There will be an extraordinary Circuit Meeting, along with Leeds East Circuit on Tuesday 16th August, 7.30pm at Roundhay to discuss a possible joint diaconal appointment, given the commitment in both Circuits to that form of ministry in the conversations so far.**