

From the Circuit Meeting

An extraordinary Circuit Meeting was held on 10th July 2024 on Zoom, to deal with various property matters.

The meeting began with attendees being asked to bring something their church is celebrating, and then sharing the prayer needs of their churches and communities. Notable celebrations included new members at Hanwell, several baptisms around the circuit, and the return of Rev Sue Male from sabbatical.

The meeting approved plans for extensive renovations to what was Rev Rachel's manse, at Elers Road, ready for the arrival of Rev Steve Day. Much work was needed to bring the house up to standard, and the meeting approved the following:

- Replacement of all windows (except those with stained glass) and the back door
- Complete interior redecoration
- Re-carpeting of the bedrooms, landing and stairs, and replacement of the kitchen flooring

The meeting noted its thanks to Jane Horwich for all her work in improving one of the Circuit's main residential properties, Havelock House.

The meeting agreed to defer a decision on whether to sell the former manse at Costons Avenue until the next Circuit Meeting, as some remedial work to fix a leak and some lifted laminate flooring is needed before it could be sold.

The next Circuit Meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 18th at Kingsdown Methodist Church.