



Annual Reports
The Vine Sheffield
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Vicar's Report

Will Briggs, Vicar

Luke 18

¹ Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ² He said: 'In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. ³ And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

⁴ 'For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!''

⁶ And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸ I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?'

It is my habit to bring to my APCM report a passage of Scripture that illustrates, in some way, the year that has been. This year I've found myself leaning into this passage from Luke.

This year, in both parishes, we have all-but-crossed-the-finish-line of formalising focal ministry. This is, of necessity, a journey of faith and trust in the Lord. And so the exhortation of Jesus in this parable to 'pray and not give up' is apropos. We are called to be Christ's people, amongst whom there is 'faith on the earth.' This God-reliant posture is essential as we continue into this coming year.

The passage also has an outward focus. The prayer on the widow's lips is not simply self-serving; it is a call for justice, a 'crying out' to the Lord of mercy. As we consider the age we have found ourselves in there is much that we consider unjust: from the health of the planet, to the state of geo-politics, to deepfelt insecurities in the weave of the social fabric. We could consider such things and turn inwards in denial or self-comfort, or launch out thoughtlessly in our own strength; rather Jesus would have us pray *persistently* – an exhortation that only those who risk *discouragement* in their endeavours need to hear – and so he *encourages* us bring his life to the world by, once again, relying on him in faith.

Persevering slowly but surely

You will be aware that at last year's APCM the possibility of Focal Ministry was a significant part of what was presented and discussed. The PCCs that were elected in 2023 received feedback and approved the pursuit of Focal Ministry as the way forward.

I am very grateful for the attention and openness given to the process. A key principle in Focal Ministry is not to have a team appointed by the vicar to help the vicar; rather it is an *upward movement*: a congregation discerns, calls, and commissions a group of trusted people; they *focus* on the local mission and ministry, and the vicar (as *Oversight Minister*) enables, encourages, and facilitates them in that task.

In summer last year, therefore, both parishes commenced a period of discernment. We were encouraged to *pray*, *listen*, and *encourage* those amongst us we felt might want to consider taking on the task. As the summer ended, I was delighted to have a number of conversations, and to bring a significant number of names to the PCCs. As we entered 2024, the *nominated* Focal Ministry Teams in the Benefice had become as follows:

For The Vine: **Andy Bryce, Vicki Neath, Tina Powell-Wiffen, Paul Sheridan, Rachel Widdows**

For St Tim's: **David Cope, Jenny Holt, Kate Rogers-Kay, David Townsend**

In the first half of 2023 much has been going on 'behind the scenes', with input from the Diocesan Focal Ministry support team, to take these nominees through the 'Getting Ready' process ahead of formal authorisation by the Bishop in May. The teams have also begun to meet in an initial preparatory way as we consider the lie of the land, find our feet in terms of how things will work, and discern areas of priority for the team and for each member. In the year ahead, I am excited to see what will emerge.

Do be praying for these focal ministers. As we have met and begun to form as a team, there is a shared desire to consult widely. We are keen to get your feedback, and receive your questions and thoughts.

Persevering Processes

Alongside these developments on the *ministry* side of our leadership, there is ongoing work on the *governance* side of our leadership. Our PCCs and Standing Committees do excellent work alongside our administrators **Siobhan Melville, Jackie Keiran**, treasurers, **Andy Bryce, Jack Hiscock**, and wardens **Paul Sheridan, Dave Neath**, and **Aidan Melville**.

In both parishes there are some significant tasks to consider. Excellent work has been done at The Vine to demarcate the cost basis of our two locations, which will facilitate a pursuit of sustainability into the future. The necessary improvements to St. Bart's, especially with regard to heating efficiency, has required and received a wise and steady consideration.

At St. Timothy's you'll have noticed that there are also some building-related tasks to attend to, and to pursue with regard to our ecological responsibilities. I am also grateful for the work being done, with significant leadership from **Aidan**, our warden, to improve our decision-making and line-management processes so that our ministries are well supported and sustained.

As we look ahead, it is also becoming clear that the task of aligning aspects across our governance structures in the benefice as a whole will be necessary. The need for alignment in financial and HR systems and other policies is becoming more evident. The Standing Committees of our PCCs met jointly for the first time in March, and further Joint Meetings towards the establishment of a more formal Joint Committee will likely be a necessary work in the year ahead.

The Fruit of Perseverance

Perseverance is not just about the plod or the process; it's for the joy set before us. I continue to delight in all that is happening in, with, and through the faithful work of God in our parishes.

The House of Prayer team (**Gill Briggs, Anne Kingstone, Nick Phoenix, Kath Newton** and myself) continues to hold a prayer community in homes and households and the prayer rooms at St. Stephen's. There are growing connections not only grounded in the S6 part of our mission area, but also with students and young adults, and support for other prayer communities and initiatives further afield. The hunger for prayer is a growing phenomenon, across the board. The commissioning of the House of Prayer as a part of the 24/7 Prayer Movement Communities Network this year was a significant step.

Our work across the benefice with youth and children, including the connection with local schools, is a great blessing, of some significance within the diocese. **Alex Townsend, Kate Rogers-Kay, Esther Gratz** and teams have enabled us to seize missional opportunities, and to encourage and disciple a significant number of young people from within our congregational families and beyond.

Our midweek ministries – **Tuesday Social Club, Wednesday Lunch Club, Thursday Welcome Space** etc. – are persevering, fruitful labours. The same is true for our ministries on Sunday mornings as well as the consolidating congregation at The Harbour in the evening at St Tim's.... I could list everything of course, but that's simply not possible. The fruit of our labours is recorded in the reports; it is present in the conversations we share, and it's a part of the prayers that we pray.

If there is one thing I am most aware of this year is the necessity of prayer, and a delight in the *increase* in our prayer. There are a number who have taken the initiative to pray. To pray with perseverance. To pray in hope, and to pray in faith. To which I can simply say, Amen!

Personal Plod

As always, I am more than happy to have a private conversation over coffee regarding anything in this report. We have talked lots about focal ministry in the last year or so in our parishes. I am also becoming increasingly aware of how different the role of vicar is, and will be, as an 'Oversight Minister', certainly in contrast to what has been historically known. I grieve not being able to be as personally present as I have been able to be in other posts. I am on a learning curve with how to best position the vicar's role such that it is supportive and facilitative, even while it is necessarily slightly more removed from the 'frontline'.

I am resolved to at least ensure that at the core of the vicar's role remains the vocational heart of attending to the word of God and prayer, and not just formally, but in effect. I am also aware, with some concern about the bigger picture in the Church of England, that this no longer goes without saying.

After more than two years holding the incumbency, the formalities of my job description are only just now being discussed and formalised, ahead of an eventual formal licensing. I'd value your prayers as these things occur.

But finally, can I offer two words of thanks.

Firstly, to **Amy Hole**, whose departure as curate soon after the APCMs was not entirely unexpected, but certainly felt. We continue to pray for her and wish her well as her curacy-in-charge draws to an end and her further ministry awaits.

Secondly, for the general support and encouragement on the passing away of my father last year and Gill's and my subsequent trip to Australia last summer. Not only was that a meaningful time for myself and my family, the opportunity to take pilgrimage in the Holy Land on the way back from Australia was utterly life changing and profound.

The opportunity to be where our Lord walked, and the later realisation that in God's providence we were there shortly before the increase in tensions and violence and the outbreak of an explicit war, has only fuelled my desire to cry out to the Lord and to attend to pursuing faith on the face of the earth. What I have learned and am learning from our brothers and sisters in that region informs and inspires the faith that we need even here in Sheffield. We have much to learn from them, not least of which is to heed the words that we began with – a conviction to pray, and to not give up. Amen.

Wardens' Report

Dave Neath and Paul Sheridan, Churchwardens

Well another year has flown by in the life of The Vine.

As you all know we have two buildings to look after so Dave Neath has done the first report on St Stephens and then I will contribute about St Barts

St Stephens

St Stephen's is regularly used with the House of Prayer each weekday at 9.30 and 12.30 and St Philip's use on Sundays and use of the office on weekdays.

We had no option but to replace the existing gas boiler during a cold spell this winter. This has all been done and should last a number of years giving us time to look at greener alternatives for the building in the future.

St Philip's have asked for some minor changes to the building including painting and putting a sail up in the back hall. They've also asked for some trunking and additional speakers. These changes are about to be approved under a Faculty application.

We have also begun meeting with The Vine, House of Prayer and St Philip's to ensure we are transparent and communicating clearly about what is happening at the building and directions we are taking with it.

St Stephen's is also in the process of applying for a Faculty for some major repairs which will involve underpinning around the current Prayer room.

We still rent the flat at Stephens out, and we now use Haus as our management agents.

St Barts

Things have started to move forward in terms of building work at St Barts.

We hope to get Solar Panels during 2024 fully funded from a Low carbon Grant.

The swing doors are due to be replaced this summer which will be a relief to many!!

Insulation and new glazing is also being investigated.

Emma & Ruth and team have continued their work with the gardens. The Sundays that they have organised have been well supported but more help is always needed. Bio-Diversity is another element that the Diocese is encouraging so we can continue with the "green" initiatives in the building and surrounds.

The Warm Welcome Thursdays have also seen the building used more and its great to see this ministry develop.

We also rent the building out a few times a week, a good source of income for us.

Security issues were less prevalent towards the end of 2023 which is great, the CCTV continues we hope to be a deterrent.

Please continue to be vigilant and safe when you are in the buildings, but let's make sure we don't ever stop welcoming all who want or need help in our community.

As we gather and grow as a church, rotas inevitably follow so please let us know if you would like to be involved in helping out whether it is doing the washing up after the service, being on tech or doing a reading there is always lots to do in the life of the church. It's a great way of feeling part of all that goes on. There are so many people who help out in these ways and big thanks to them.

A massive thank you to the PCC and Standing Commt from the Wardens for all their help and a very BIG THANK YOU to Jackie and Shiv who both do so much to help the Wardens and The Vine.

Thanks to Will and Gill for being so supportive towards the Wardens.

Please be in touch with comments or questions, always happy to have a chat.

Thanks and blessings

Safeguarding

Siobhan Melville, Parish Safeguarding Officer

Policies and practice

The PCC has complied with its duty to have due regard to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance.

The Safeguarding policy was reviewed and adopted by PCC on 8 November 2022.

Safeguarding has been on every PCC agenda during the year.

Training and DBS checks

In 2023, three applications were made to Thirtyone:Eight (formerly CCPAS) for a DBS check.

Disclosures

The Safeguarding Officer has liaised with the Diocesan safeguarding team as necessary through the year.

Treasurer's Report

Andy Bryce, Treasurer

We are pleased to note the ongoing stability in The Vine's finances during 2023. Whilst the pressure of inflation, alongside the need to spend more on our buildings was notable, we achieved a near break even position (£784 deficit) across the year. This was a much lower deficit than we had anticipated. Designated and restricted funds saw higher losses (contributing to a net loss of £19,233), but these expenses were planned and expected.

The Vine received £130,108 in total during 2023, an increase from £115,342 in 2022. The main contributors to this increase were investment income (up 45.3%) and a small increase in income from building hire, including a rent increase for the church flat. Planned giving reduced slightly from 2022 levels (3.5%), but this is not a significant cause for concern due to fluctuation of donors and amounts given over time. We also received an unrestricted grant from the diocese to help cover rising energy costs and restricted grant from Sheffield City Council, to help fund our Warm Space at St Stephen's.

£149,333 was spent to provide Christian ministry at the Vine PCC, of which £126,533 was from General Funds, £18,576 from Designated Funds and £4,224 was from restricted funds.

Running costs increased significantly over 2023, largely due to the increases associated with increasing energy costs and the need for maintenance on the buildings. There was a large increase in heating, lighting and insurance (85%). This increase was expected due to renegotiated tariffs from September 2023 onwards. Our most expensive tariffs were locked in for a only a year so we expect our energy costs to start falling towards the end of 2024. Expenditure on building maintenance also more than doubled since the previous year, much of which was spent from our designated building improvement fund.

Aside from building improvement, most other spending from Designated Funds was for children's worker salary contributions. We have now set up a restricted fund for House of Prayer with most of the spending from that fund accounted for by clergy and staff costs and heating costs.

The cash balances carried forward on 31 December 2023 for General Funds totalled £24,149, Restricted Funds £773 and Designated Funds £212,915, leading to an overall total of £237,837. The

total market value of investments held on 31 December 2023 was £607,947, an increase of 9% from 2022.

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on general funds to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. This is a minimum of £24,000 based on three months of expected expenditure of general funds. The cash balance on general funds as at 31 December 2023 was £23,324. The PCC will review the reserves policy during 2024.

The PCC has agreed a general funds budget for 2024. We expect to receive about £121,000 and spend about £134,000. This leaves a deficit of about £13,000 which can be financed from our reserves.

House of Prayer Report

Nick Phoenix for the core team

Our community continues to be shaped and held by consistent prayer rhythms throughout the week, ensuring that prayer and pursuing His presence is the backbone and heart behind all we do. Our main rhythms have been corporate morning prayer and lunchtime prayer. Morning prayer has become shaped by the ancient practise of Lectio Divina, where we sit in a short passage of scripture reading it slowly four times and asking God what words and phrases are standing out and then turning that into prayer. These times have been a highlight for me, as this prayer tool has enabled us to go deeper into Jesus' heart for us and have been comforting, as well as challenging and convicting. At lunchtime prayer, we use liturgy from *Ffald y Brenin* that helps to shape us and includes a focus on intercession for nations, people groups and individuals and have equally felt like an important part of who we are as we partner with God in blessing the world around us and being a House of Prayer for both Sheffield and all nations.

It has been a privilege to host spaces of day and night prayer regularly throughout the year- it has been wonderful to witness individuals, families, and children from all across the church in Sheffield encounter Jesus in the prayer spaces.

We have also been amazed by the connections with students and young adults that have started to blossom. One of the massive encouragements has been connections with the student Christian Unions that has led to a group of students, inspired by the Asbury Outpouring, coming to us and asking if they could host a times of overnight prayer and worship throughout the night from 9pm-3am, called "Night Watch". These have become nights where 50-70 students and young adults have come simply to worship and pray from all across the church in Sheffield, where it is all student led with no agenda than simply to minister to Jesus. What an honour it has felt to be invited into that space and to walk alongside these students and young adults, who long to be wholly consecrated to Jesus. Another encouragement was getting to host a "Wide Awake" worship night with our friends from Fusion- again a beautiful time of profound hunger and tangible sense of God's presence in the room. Joining in with St Philip's in corporate times of worship and prayer on Sunday evenings every few months, has been another highlight, where there's been space to listen, worship and repent.

Our heart as well as being rooted in prayer, is for mission and justice to flow from that place. One big encouragement for us, has been connecting with Aaron Shah, who has recently moved into the Peak District and found us on Facebook. He leads a ministry called "Worship on the Streets" and has a heart to equip and encourage worship on the streets across the UK. It has felt like a divine connection, as his heart has really resonated with ours, and it has felt such a privilege for a few of us to join him in a weekly rhythm of just worshipping in Sheffield city centre in a way that is very gentle and sensitive and simply inviting His presence to bless Sheffield. It has been wonderful seeing people from both church and unchurched backgrounds sit, soak, dance and enjoy the presence of Jesus in

the streets and has led to moments of being able to pray with people and conversations and connections that have felt like divine appointments.

Another of our key missional rhythms has been prayer walking in various parts of Sheffield in various with the aim of simply seeing where Jesus is at work and joining in with what He's already doing- it's so much more fun that way! We simply pray asking the spirit to lead us, and bless the surrounding area, as well as chatting to people and offering prayer if that feels appropriate. Each week is completely different and we never know what the Lord might do, which makes it an exciting adventure with Him. We have been blown away by how the Lord has invited us into what He's already doing. In Fir Vale, we've had the privilege of meeting and praying with a lady from a Muslim background who had dreams of Jesus 12 years ago, as well as a Somali single mum who saw it as a sign that her son started to speak 2 days later after praying! Some other highlights have included meeting a Chinese student who was already on a spiritual journey and was super encouraged that we felt led to speak to him in the Botanical Gardens and said he felt a warmth in his heart when praying; since then he has been to one of our Open Table meals where he was moved by the sense of family and when walking around the prayer rooms said he felt a peace and tranquillity that he had never experienced before that made him want to cry.

Community continues to grow around our Friday night rhythm of Sabbath inspired meals in various households focussed around liturgy of marking the weekend with Jesus at the centre and reflecting and feasting on His goodness in the past week. We have been blessed by the diverse community that is growing around this, including many on the fringes of church and faith but have found belonging and resonance around the table where Jesus is at the centre. It feels like such a beautiful foretaste of the great wedding feast to come of every tribe and tongue gathered in His presence!

Now having completed the "Process of embrace", a discernment process with 24/7 Prayer and visits from Pete Ward, it was a honour to be commissioned at the 24/7 European Gathering in Vienna and now to be officially part of the 24/7 Prayer Communities Network. This has been a big encouragement to have connection with other expressions of House of Prayer communities all across the world, who all share the same hunger for prayer, mission and justice. It has been really enriching joining in with 24/7 Prayer events as a team, such as serving on team at Wildfires Festival and participating in the 24/7 Gathering in Vienna and a 24/7 Euroleaders event in Bracknell. These have been uplifting and encouraging to see the bigger picture of what we are a part of, as well as growing and being disciplined together as a core team.

This has led to us being able to complete an Ancient Pathways course, run by 24/7, as a core team last year and now host and facilitate it with multiple cohorts in Sheffield and further afield in Buxton and Matlock. This course has helped us to grow deeper as a core team and press deeper into our values of prayer, mission, hospitality, justice, learning and creativity and learn from the richness and depth of all the different church streams and those who have gone before us- it is a joy to now be able to share that with others with a similar yearning to go deeper. The journey of exploring the ancient paths has led us to pilgrimage a few weeks ago to Lindisfarne, a beautiful time of walking in the footsteps of and being inspired by St Cuthbert, St Aidan, Hilda and others.

More and more we are being invited into church wide prayer across the city. This has included being part of SLIP (Sheffield Leaders in Prayer) and leading prayer there, being part of a IJM prayer night, doing prophetic prayer slots at Wadsley Church's Away day as well as being a part of the team that organised and planned "Seek First". "Seek First" is an evening where the whole church gathers in the cathedral simply to seek Him first through worship, prayer and communion- the worship felt profound, deep and prophetic to how Jesus was bringing His church back to their first love and simply minister to Him above anything else.

Our heart as a House of Prayer is always to get alongside and bless where God is already working across the city, but always in a way that is first and foremost relational. This has led to us visit various communities and join them in prayer walking in their communities during "Thy Kingdom Come" last year in Darnall, Buxton, Parsons Cross, Penistone etc. There was a word given of us being like a "defibrillator". We also were invited to host a Saturday retreat for Beverley HOP, blessing them and

listening prayer for individuals in a gentle unobtrusive way was offered and accepted. It's a joy to be caught up Jesus' story and join in with Him!

Childrens and Families Work

Esther Gratze, Children's Worker

Sunday Kids groups – I have really enjoyed getting to know the children and young people at The Vine better in this second year of working here. I am deepening in my knowledge of them and what they like and are into which helps in planning sessions that are relevant, engaging, and interesting. We have a lot of fun together and there have been fantastic moments of seeing their understanding grow and develop and at times their faith has been a great encouragement to me. They have surprised me with their knowledge, I am no longer nervous in an Open Mic! and they have beaten the adults in quizzes at the front! It has been great to see new families visit and come back and enjoy the services and events that take place.

I have sought to consult with parents about their views for how the groups should develop and met on occasions as parents and as teams of volunteers to discuss our direction. We follow the themes and Bible Passages from the main church to enable greater sharing within families and also as a wider church family as the same material has been covered. We are an active group and I attempt to engage the children in many different ways such as games, creative tasks, discussion, debate and prayer.

Older – the older group has grown and is now well established. On occasions they remain within the main service and then discuss the sermon. On a more regular basis they engage in a variety of activities such as discussion, debate, prayer and creative tasks. Many of the children in this group are also involved with youth activities at St Tims and are due to go on a youth weekend away very soon. More to follow from the Youth leaders.

Middle – the middle group is from around age 5 to around age 10 and includes a wide variety of different tasks and activities to enable the children to engage with the different themes and ideas in the best ways for them. It has been great seeing some of the children in this age group as they have developed in confidence over the year to speak about their faith and beliefs and again it has been brilliant seeing them get to know each other better.

Younger – the youngest children either remain with the main group or on occasions separate into a smaller group with activities and stories that are appropriate to their age group. Within the main group they are also supported to understand the themes in age appropriate ways.

Main Service / All Age Services – We are having regular all age services both on special occasions and as part of the regular series. It has been great to see children and young people leading by reading, praying or talking about their experiences and brilliant to see people participating in the different activities and chatting about the different ideas and themes together who might not normally worship and learn together.

Families lunch & Fun – we have been meeting together as families to eat together and spend time together and on occasions we have done other things such as crafts, nerf wars and picnics. This has been a positive time for children to have fun and play together and get to know each other more deeply and families to spend some good time together. It has been great for me outside of a specific training or meeting time to hear what parents like and what they would like to be different or developed.

Special Events – I have really enjoyed putting on different events this year such as the Easter egg hunt, participating in the outdoor Carol Event, setting up a holy week trail on Palm Sunday, a Christmas Eve party, and the Pancake party. The Pancake party was especially well attended and very busy and a lot of fun and several parents voiced that they would love a club or more things to do locally which is something we would love to develop. It was especially busy this year as we held it earlier and during the half term holiday and many parents really appreciated that time and space. We

are looking at developing these into an event each half term holiday which will link directly into the following Sunday service.

Wider Community – I am enjoying working with Andy from Hampden View church and a team of volunteers from both churches to deliver Christmas and Easter assemblies to the children from Walkley Primary School. It has been great to develop the relationships with staff members and they really appreciated the visit from Saltmine theatre company. I was blown away by the level of participation in the assemblies and the depth of the questions they asked the team in the Christmas assembly such as 'How do you connect with God? And How does God reassure you?' The recent show was especially interactive – the children loved throwing fish at Peter – for more details ask Dave Neath!

St Mary's Lunch club –Kate from St Tim's and I are going into St Mary's school once a week to run a lunchtime club. It has been very well attended with many students coming every week, we were sad to see some of the year 6's leave last year but have enjoyed being able to get to know others further; and some dropping in when we are making particular crafts. I really enjoyed seeing a large group of the St Marys children come to the Pancake Party and see us around Walkley. It was really special earlier in the year for one of the students to teach me and the other students crochet which was enjoyed for a number of weeks. We have developed a number of different themes over the year such as travel and dinosaurs and space as we have got to know the children's interests. We are known as the 'lovely library ladies'. They are a fantastic group of children and it's a lot of fun spending time with them, playing and making but also talking about our faith and our beliefs and being people that the children can talk to there. It was especially great to focus on faith in the weeks leading up to Christmas and Easter.

Saltmine

It has been great to welcome the Saltmine drama group to both of the schools that we have got links with and also to do an evening performance at St. Barts. I am sure anyone who saw it would agree that it was an incredible and thought provoking show. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and participated fully in the workshops in both schools. The staff were very appreciative and asked when can they come back? This is something we would love to continue.

Future Plans & Ideas

As a team we recently discussed direction and development and these are some of the areas we would like to look at.:

- One of my focuses is looking at our provision for our youngest members by looking at developing a creche area to support parents of this age group. This will also help us look at and ensure our provision becomes connected from babies through to teens.
- I am looking at developing the Pancake Party into an event each half term holiday which will link directly into the following Sunday service – the first will be in May half term.
- I would love to welcome saltmine or another theatre company back next year.
- We are also looking at developing our training for children with additional needs so that all our children and young people are able to grow and learn in the best possible way for them.
- I would love to develop and strengthen our link with St Mary's by offering reading or other support to them.
- We would love to investigate ways of encouraging the children and young people to look outwards such as a bake sale which has been popular in the past.

Thankyous

Finally I want to say a huge thankyou to everyone that who has been part of the Childrens and Families work this year whether that's coming onto the team or joining in the events that have

happened or participated and got on board with redistributing biscuits in Ruth all age or making spaghetti towers or simply being ok with being poked with flags during singing thank you!