

Planning for the future exercise

Consider a range of possible initiatives that a church might decide upon in relation to its worship, pastoral care and outreach.

- Which of these do you think require the consideration and leadership of the next minister. And which do not?
- What factors do you think are important in deciding this?
- What do you think the priorities should be for an Interim Moderator with limited time in helping a church to move on in these cases?

<i>Possible initiative</i>	<i>Needs minister's leadership?</i>	<i>Relevant factors</i>	<i>Role of the Interim Moderator</i>
Move the time of the Sunday morning service to an hour earlier			
Start monthly united services with the local Methodist church			
Alter the pastoral care system so that some serving Elders and some non-Elders do the visiting			
Two Elders propose to organise and lead regular home communions for housebound Church Members			
Start a regular film club, which shows DVDs with theological discussions afterwards			
Respond to the approach of a local yoga teacher to provide 'active living' sessions to over-50s			

Are there other initiatives where you, as the Interim Moderator, would seek advice before encouraging the church to go ahead?