

# St Tom's

## - Parish Care Connections -

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St Toms were successful in achieving a grant from the **AllChurches Trust** in the sum of £6,750.00 with “Top-Up” funding of £1,250.00 from the Church. £8,000.00 was therefore raised for 4 initiatives under the ministry title : *St Toms Parish Care Connections*

This initiative replaced the Year 3 (2021) objectives of the current pMAP for 2019-21.

### 1. “Keeping Connected” - Elderly Persons Ministry reaching lonely and isolated individuals

As a Parish Church we have initiated, resourced and maintained this ministry with a part-paid and part-volunteer workforce since 2006 and it is ready to expand in this direction.



## 2. “Wyvern Wellbeing Group” – provision of “Church Champion” and finance for Training

Our Project Manager is Chair of the Starting Well Group on the Eastleigh Health & Wellbeing Board that is implementing a Borough-Wide 3-year Action Plan –including Schools - and was Chair of Governors of Wyvern College 2004-2014.



## 3. “Phygital Futures” - Build an on-line interface across the Community

From access to the expertise of Highway Solutions, the company used for all the Parish church comms, we are fully aware of the amazing possibilities in this arena



#### 4. "Fountain Café" as outreach into new housing

The Fountain Café initiative was primed in 2008 and maintained by the local Church since, recently becoming a CIO, in preparation for considerable expansion by replicating the successful "template" to date

By year end 2021, The Fountain Cafe will be looking to repurpose the Old Scout Hut site which has been given notice of closure, as a revitalised community hub and cafe location, to support the 3 other initiatives and be a focal point for people who might be job-seekers who may have lost jobs after furlough ends in June 2021 onwards into 2022 to help them get tailored help, or having debt-counselling appointments with the local CAP Centre. The formation of an associated "Men's Shed" as part of the national and regional network of such "sheds" is contemplated. There are also plans to enable further fundraising impetus towards ideas such as purchasing a van to offer The Fountain Cafe as a "street experience" - to both add income stream and raise profile.

