Parish Resources

Analysing your Results

The analysis of the data is as important as the collecting of the data. Identify two or three members of the Committee to enter the data, analyse the results and identify any key findings and common themes. The audit will help you establish what the real parish need is, and as a result, your project will become more focused around meeting that need. If you have discovered a new 'need', adapt your project to include that need, or arrange for further consultation and investigation if required.

Present the findings in an accessible manner (produced report or presentation) to the Committee and to those who took part in the audit (via noticeboard, letter or website). Potential funders will also be interested in your audit results.

Keep in Touch!

It is important to keep participants up to date with your findings, but also the development of your project. Now you have engaged people's interest, continue to build that interest by sending them regular communications about the project. Set up a mailing database to invite contributors to a development day, a building blog on your website, fundraising events, open days and musical chairs (if new chairs are being trialled) etc. The project now belongs to the church and the community, so keep talking to them, and they'll keep talking to the church.