

‘Let us talk... about the character and personality of the Diocese of Salisbury’.

Submission from representatives of Easterton Church.

1) What is the ‘Personality and Character’ of your Church?

- * elderly, small, conservative congregation – but friendly and welcoming.
- * goodwill for the Church in the community, but latter not captured and village residents generally unwilling to take any responsibility; they have no attachment to the Church.

2) What are the priorities of your local church?

- * Priority – very survival.
- * Need to promote/improve image.

3) In there one thing you’d like to take on in the coming year?

- * Trial using big publicity noticeboard - currently used at Christmas for past two years – for major festivals during the year.

4) Are there ways in which we can work together to achieve more?

- * Increasing knowledge of the working of the Diocese through dissemination of information and communication; partly a challenge at the local level.

5) How can we best measure the quality and impact of church life?

- * Ask the question, “What difference would it make if there wasn’t a church in this village?”
- * Numbers not the most helpful; church members’ actions more so – but hard to quantify.