

## Fond farewells and new adventures



### John Kilbee, Mission & Stewardship Advisor (Wilts)

John has served the Diocese in this post for 10 years, working alongside Ian Bromilow. John describes this as a "tremendous 10 years working with Ian, learning and understanding how churches grow through their purpose, mission and story."

John and Ian have worked separately and as a team, giving presentations with a 'can do' attitude and a practical feel.

John has sought to encourage and provoke discussion in equal measure, with the focus on plans for mission with appeals for finance as part of the roadmap, and has helped spearhead contactless giving, not least through the national rollout of the Parish Giving Scheme.

His role, along with Ian's, has helped parishes and benefices link their vision to stewardship and finance.

John was born in Hong Kong - his first language is Cantonese - and started his career at PricewaterhouseCoopers before joining the American Bank Security Pacific, where he focused on commercial and corporate banking. Family and cricket remain a passion, and new adventures await.

John also serves as the Deanery Treasurer for Calne Deanery and is married to Penelope, who was first commissioned as an LPA in 2009.