## Statement of intent: Ancient Catholic Church – Diocese of Rhondda

Our intent is to be a church for today's modern world, accessible to all people.

The diocese of Rhondda and all its churches will meet the following rules and expectations:

- Every person shall be welcomed into the church without judgment nor question
- Any person that wishes to take communion shall be welcomed to do so, regardless of their circumstances or professed Christian faith and whomsoever believes that Jesus is present.
- ➤ Likewise, any person that chooses to receive a blessing shall be welcomed to so. Any person that chooses neither, shall have their wishes also respected.
- > The church shall welcome people of other faiths and none but shall expect them, as with all others, that they respect the church, its people and the Christian faith
- > The church will be led by the needs of the people and not the needs of the priests and/or assistants.
- > The church shall open daily (whenever possible) for silent prayer, solace, companionship or sanctuary
- > The church shall offer a 'warm' space, offering, where facilities allow, light refreshments during the above durations
- > The church shall have a community focus and will utilise its buildings to benefit the local and wider community and all its people
- > The church will strive to be a core part of the community
- > The church shall work alongside other churches in the area to benefit the community and endorse harmony
- The church shall have a charitable account which shall be used for small charitable or good cause purposes and those accounts shall be open to scrutiny at any time, following retraction of identifiers.

> The senior members of the church shall heed the advice and needs of the congregation and community and act accordingly, so long as those needs are compatible with the Christian faith

This statement shall be reviewed regularly and shall be amended as necessary and is not seen as exhaustive.