

Bicester Branch Webmaster's report March 2018

We are still currently very grateful to Anthony Cole for hosting the Branch site on his server in Scotland. Normal service was resumed in late June after the Cole family's move and the site has been largely available since then, notwithstanding electrical work, severe gales and snow.

Having largely concerned myself at the start of the year with largely non-webmaster related activities, I have finally begun to turn my attention to the Bicester Branch website.

The Bicester Branch website has been kept up-to-date over the past year, including Branch events, reports on practices, as well as essential documents required for Branch meetings.

I have recently opened correspondence with the Oxford Diocesan Guild web master and server administration team regarding an intent to move our Branch's web pages to the ODG server, which I understand, also runs the WordPress Content Management application. I have also registered interest in being able to directly update Branch details on the actual ODG pages and expect a response in the near future.

I believe that the relocation of the Branch web pages should provide a useful opportunity to review and revise, where required, the structure and content of our web pages (including expected updates to Safeguarding), as well as updating our distribution list of members' email addresses.

We can also review how we reach out to and involve our members, for instance, taking advantage of Social Media including integrating Facebook and Twitter with our site.

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