



## MAP for Derby Diocese

# front page news

## introduction and when to use this resource

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Front Page News is a creative and fun way to get the church to discern God's call. This resource is therefore most appropriate for use during stage three of MAP for Derby Diocese, to help the church to discern the areas in which God is now calling them to grow and change to meet His call.

## the process

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Use the sheet on the next page to consider:

- a) the headline of the article
- b) describe what the picture would be
- c) give a pull-out quote that might be something like one line from the story.

The exercise would fit well into an evening event or away day during stage three of the MAP for Derby Diocese process.

- Give everyone about 15 minutes to do this and ask them to display their front pages.
- If the group is small enough, ask each person briefly to explain their front page. If the group is larger, give people time to circulate and reflect upon them all.
- Whichever approach is taken, encourage people to listen and read prayerfully and ask 'What is God saying to us about where we are going?'
- Invite reflections from everyone, listing the key thoughts on a flipchart. As this happens, identify the themes or statements which seem to both 'ring true' for the group and excite them as they think of the future.
- Give people some time to reflect on this collection of themes and statements – do they have within them the key elements of where you would like to be in three years?
- A clear and brief summary needs to be drawn up, which the whole church family can understand. This might be in the form of a simple statement, a short paragraph, or a few bullet points. Don't spend too long trying to agree on the exact wording!

# THE DAILY NEWS

Insert **Headline**

Insert **Photo**

Insert **Quote**