

FAQ's: Vine Church Poole.

As Elders we strongly feel that God is calling us to move forwards. This has called us to make three changes over the next season in the Vine Church.

1. Change our Sunday Venue
2. Employ a Head of Operations (Part-time)
3. Start a new ministry in Turlin Moor

Please do take time to listen to Tim's, with the other elders preach from Sunday 5th Nov 2017, can be found on www.vinechurchpoole.com/sermons, but this handout aims to provide some more detail by answering some FAQ's.

1. Change of Venue

Why are we changing Venues?

The short answer is that we feel God has called us. The long answer is that we have been on a journey as a eldership team for over a year now, asking God if its right for us to stay using the PURC building or to move onto another building. After much prayer and conversation, in January 2017, we announced that we are looking for a new venue for our Sunday meetings. Over the last 11 months we have been exploring different venues and asking God where? Buildings are here to serve the mission of the church. However, they are important aspect of church and we believe there are many advantages to move buildings which will enhance our Sunday morning mission.

What are the other advantages of the move?

- We can choose a time we meet and it will allow us to pray for one another after the service without any rush of moving out of the space
- The environment will be better - the new space will be roomy, bright and warm. It will be a safe, clean environment for the whole family.
- It will allow us to have our own identity on Sunday mornings.
Currently, when we are at PURC some visitors/guests get confused from the different events and values between the Vine Church and PURC.
- The new space will be a neutral environment, which will hopefully make our guest feel more comfortable to come
- There new space will have plenty of parking
- The new space will be big enough for growth but not too big we get lost in the space

Where is the new venue?

We have looked at various buildings including warehouses, schools and cafes but we feel that the right and appropriate next step for us is to meet in a school. The school will be close to our current venue (PURC) and it should be confirmed by the end of 2017.

When are we changing Venues?

Our first Sunday will be on the 4th March 2018. The Sunday before on the 25th February we will spend time looking back and celebrating everything God has done whilst we have been at PURC and getting excited for the following week.

Will the service time change?

Yes, more than likely. It will probably be later but we are just working out the right time for us, whilst considering we would need time to set up and understanding that people sometimes like to get home for their Sunday lunch and be with family and friends.

How are we going to facilitate the change of Venues?

As you can understand moving into a school requires greater logistics and better communication. As we employ someone to head up operations the biggest part of their role will be to plan and execute our Sunday morning service. Their initial part of their job will be to plan the move whilst working with leaders in the church to do this.

We will have an office space?

Yes, our offices will be in the new Vine hub in Turlin Moor. This will be office for Tim (Lead Elder/Pastor), Dick (Administration) and the new head of operations.

What about other ministries throughout the week?

We are carrying on all ministries from life groups, prayer meetings, Vine Tots and FITclub etc. However, these will now be at different locations. We will be working with each leader to work out where it is best to meet. We have formulated a list of venues we can use in the week, evenings and weekends for ministries and events. We will have better planning and communication in church to keep everyone informed what and where things are going on.

I am a leader, How would this affect me?

This will more likely affect every leader in the church. It will affect each leader differently therefore over the next two months Tim will meet with you and through a conversation, plan and work through transitioning out of the building.

2. Head of Operations

Why are we employing the role of Head Operations?

With a change of venues on a Sunday morning, starting a new ministry in Turlin Moor and have a permanent venue there and having various ministries and events in different locations we feel we need someone to bring this all together and communicate well to every church member.

What will be their responsibilities?

- **Sundays:**- Plan and execute all practical elements of our Sundays meeting/s
- **Venue Bookings:** Planning, booking and hiring venues for our Sunday and mid-week activities
- **Communications:** Communicate events and messages from the leadership team to the church and externally
- **Event Organising:** Facilitate Various Events throughout the year, Equip course, Alpha course etc
- **Welcoming:** facilitating a welcoming Process

What is the process of employ a Head of Operations?

Job applications will open on the 6th November and will be closing . In December will be conducting interviews for the new staff member to start on 2nd January 2018.

Can anyone apply?

Yes, anyone can apply for the post.

3. Ministry in Turlin Moor

Why are we starting a new ministry in Turlin Moor?

We feel that God has spoken to us to start a new ministry in Turlin Moor. Many years ago Guy Miller (Leader of Commission) gave a prophetic word to 'cast our nets onto the other side' and whilst we at Westpoint 2018 a leader from Bristol City Church gave us a prophetic word 'that we will going to gather a tribe from over the bridge'. The last few months we have been praying and weighing up this words and felt strongly to start a ministry on Turlin Moor and see what God does.

Is there a base to the Ministry?

Currently, there is a cafe called infectious that is up for rent (we believe in God perfect timing). This is a cafe owned by a christian charity and it is where Tea and Toast meet. Therefore, we are working towards to renting the premises to be a base for ministry in Turlin Moor and also, to be place to have our offices.

What is the vision for Turlin Moor?

Initially we want to build relationships and support the current ministries on Turlin Moor. We want to do an Alpha Course in the new year there and our Carols and Cocoa on Saturday 16th December is a perfect opportunity to come and see the venue and what Turlin Moor is like.

When will this start?

We are hoping to have the venue from 1st December with the first event happening Saturday 16th December with Carols and Cocoa.

Will we still do outreach ministries in the centre of Poole?

Yes. We are going still do outreach ministries in centre of Poole and be putting on events and service to invite your friends and families. The work on Turlin Moor will be one of our ministries to the Town Poole.

What's Next?

Lets Prayer. We would ask you all to be praying for the church. Pray for our new venue on Sundays, pray we will hire the right candidate for the Head of Operations, pray for our new ministry on Turlin Moor. Over the next weeks and months there will be opportunity to give to the growth fund that enables us do all this and opportunities to serve for all this to happening we need to do it together as the Vine Church.

I've still got a few more questions

Please feel free to chat to one of the Elders (Tim Buttler, David Gawler, Peter Phillips, Paul Wintle or Jamie Yeates) or email Tim on Timbuttler@vinechurchpoole.com

With much love,
Tim, Dave, Peter, Paul, Jamie (5th Nov 2017).