

Notes from our meeting 10 January 2018

Present: Therese Briggs, David Hair Fay Hair Evelyn Umali Daniel Umali Belinda Morissey Elizabeth Mulrennan

Apologies from Jules Bates and Sue Draysey

The meeting began with a Prayer then discussion of key aspects from the handbook "Toward a Social Justice group", provided by the Justice & Peace Office.

Emerging Ideas :

Group maintenance & cohesion...

*web page

*blog

*Newsletter

Discussion around how successful the UNHCR stand was before Christmas. Parish members seem to like supporting initiatives similar to this. They are very generous in parting with money for a deserving cause, but how else might they be engaged in Social Justice?

How do we spread the word and engage people?

Excess fruit & Veg stall? (Do we have many gardeners in the parish?)

Belinda: one way would be some information on how we consume, and alternatives to the more traditional (and commercial?) ways.

Some sites :

[Good 360](#)

[Two Good](#)

(This looks grea , could even be an idea for a parish gathering)

*connecting with a community eg David's Place.

*leverage for lobbying politicians for social housing

*women's refuges in Leichhardt?

*whats happened to the community kitchen idea in Callan Park with the Refugee Service?

These ideas were discussed and then we agreed that we would like to form under the umbrella of Social Inclusion.

What might that include?

Maybe even a Bookclub, sharing stories, a parish cookbook

We agreed that we wanted an emphasis on Relationship building and starting small