## **Living in Love and Faith**

## Resolution agreed by St John's PCC 30 January 2023

"This PCC affirms the Church of England doctrine that marriage is between one man and one woman and is intended to be for life since we believe this to be the pattern given to us in scripture. We also affirm the beauty of celibacy - recognising the goodness of both biblical positions. We seek to provide good pastoral support for those who may struggle to live by this teaching and welcome all people to St John's Church, Wimborne regardless of their sexual status or orientation. We seek to be a Church which is a loving Christian community, an extended family, and a place where we hold to a traditional Christian view of Marriage, as set out in the Bible, the Book of Common Prayer, 39 Articles and Ordinal, and to do so with grace and love. We also called on the bishops and General Synod to reject this report because of the harm it will do to unity and faithfulness of God's church."