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To: All PCC Secretaries, DCC Secretaries and Acting PCC Secretaries

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you from your fellow secretary, I hope that you are well.

I write firstly to thank you for your work as PCC and DCC secretaries and acting secretaries. Your work is vital to the smooth running of the Church of England, you won't get the bling or enthronement ceremony that our new bishop will get next year, your work might even get taken for granted, but without you the church would grind to a halt and chaos would ensue. I am grateful, and on behalf of the DBF and Church House team I want you to know that we appreciate what you do.

Secondly, for those of you who were involved in the synod and deanery elections this year a special word of thanks, we have higher levels of involvement and managed to elect more people across the board - well done!

Looking ahead to next year I know that you look forward (!) to Lesley's bumper package of information and updates to help you manage the APCM season, hopefully you will find what is attached to be useful and timely, a little earlier this time.

If there are other things that you need or that would help, or if having things in a different format would be useful, please let us know, feedback gratefully received. No question is too silly or foolish unless we don't ask it when we should have, so do please reach out to Lesley Fusher with any queries or suggestions.

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