Audio Visual Equipment for Tayvallich Church.

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Discussion and advice from John Turner, CARTA adviser on Audio visual installations.

Points to consider:

- 1. How will Audio visual change the liturgy?
- 2. How will it change the worship?
- 3. How will it engage with others out with the congregation?
- 4. Will it engage with younger people? in what way? what young people?
- 5. The church will have develop a team who can (i) Understand, (ii) use, and (iii) develop the system.

Suggest we set out the pros and cons of having a system.

It is important to maintain the focus of the congregation on the minister at the front - screens placed badly, particularly temporary screens can be a distraction and obtrusive.

Having said all that his recommendation would be -

A 65 inch TV panel mounted permanently on the panelling behind the communion table. This would be least obtrusive and maintains attention on the front and minister.

A 65 inch screen would be optimum size for visibility and inobtrusiveness.

6 text lines would be clearly visible for at least 36 ft and images and bigger print visible further back.

Suggest purchase screen (smart type TV, from John Lewis, either Sony or Panasonic. -

"Repeater screens on the side walls half way up church would be expensive, require professional installation, would look bad and intrusive.

Remember that we need licence for music and video and be wary of copyright issues.

Sound System:

Our existing system is good and no need to replace. It has two inputs available. He can source cabling to connect in laptop or DVD player etc.

Costs:

Screens appear to be between £1200 and £3,000 depending on make and specification.

Cabling etc would be about £50 or thereabouts, laptop with DVD capability, if required £300 - £500.

Installation could be done ourselves as there are no technical challenges.

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