

We, the Presidents of Churches Together in Greater Bristol / Together4Bristol, give our full support to Hope Bristol 2018 and encourage our churches to get involved in any way that they can.

We are excited to see hundreds of young people involved in the event and are expectant that God will use them to make a lasting impact upon our communities. We are looking to the churches of Bristol to continue to come alongside these teenagers to encourage and support them as they step out in mission.

We also support the long-term vision of Hope Bristol 2018, recognising the need for this to not only be a five-day mission, but a catalyst for greater unity that leads to action amongst the churches of Bristol. We recognise the important role Bristol Noise will play in ensuring the event serves the needs of the city in 2018 and onwards. We believe that Hope Bristol 2018 has an important role to play in seeing Bristol emerge as a 'City of Hope'.

Finally, we are confident in the work and teaching of Soul Survivor as they lead times of teaching as worship with the young people. We believe that they will encourage and inspire the young people taking part in Hope Bristol 2018.

Yours in Christ

Bishop Renford Brown, Chair, Bristol Black Churches Council

Revd Nigel Coles, Senior Regional Minister, West of England Baptist Association Majors Ian and Jean Harris, Divisional Commanders, Severn and Somerset Division, Salvation Army

The Rt Revd Declan Lang, Bishop of Clifton, Clifton Diocese

Revd Dr Jonathan Pye, Chair, Bristol Methodist District

Rt Revd Dr Lee Rayfield, Suffragan Bishop of Swindon and Acting Diocesan Bishop Rob Scott-Cook, Celebration Network of churches and Woodlands Group of churches

Revd Ruth Whitehead, Moderator, South Western Synod, URC