

**The Hard Gospel Project can support parishes to engage with their local community. Here are some of the resources we offer.**



## **Reflect Course**

This course will enable your parish to:

- Go through a process of self reflection
- Build confidence on issues of engaging with “neighbours”
- Create a deeper awareness of social needs and inspire action

This part takes 4 weeks. It can be run in a church or other local venue. It can also be used as a residential.

## **Discussions and Conflict Resolution**

If a parish wants to address contentious issues in their local community:

- We can support by bringing in guest speakers and facilitation
- We can provide training in your parish to understand conflict and find ways to deal positively with it

## **Act Course**

The second part of the course is for a parish that wants to take the risk of meeting identified needs.

- It will enable the parish to put together an action plan
- This part will take 2-4 weeks depending on the need a parish seeks to meet

## **Church Community Initiatives**

Much good work is taking place at parish level:

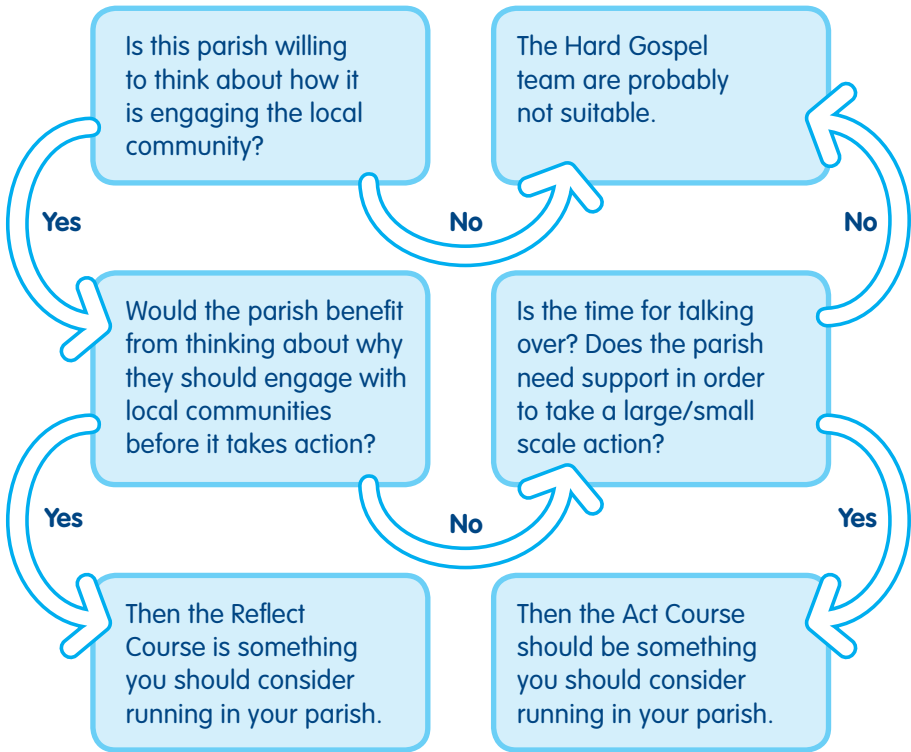
- [www.hardgospel.net](http://www.hardgospel.net) will provide a forum to hear stories of what is already going on in different localities
- When a local parish wants to increase its strategic role in local community life - we can signpost towards appropriate community development bodies

**Talk to the Hard Gospel team in order to assess how you can use us in your parish**

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# How can the Hard Gospel work for my Parish?

This chart will help you decide how the Hard Gospel team could be of use in your parish. If you have any questions please contact the team.



Courses can be run as individual weeks (4-8 weeks). We can also cater for those wishing to run courses as a residential experience. There are some criteria to be met in order to run the course - why not talk to the team about them?

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