

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

'a worshipping, growing and transformative Christian presence at the heart of every community'

Role Description signed off by: The Archdeacon of Rochdale

Date:

To be reviewed 6 months after the commencement of appointment and again after three years or at the first Ministerial Development Review

1. Details of Post

Role Title: Team Rector of Saddleworth

Deanery: Oldham and Ashton

Archdeaconry: Rochdale

Initial point of contact on Terms of Service: The Archdeacon of Rochdale

2. Role Purpose

General

- i. To exercise the cure of souls shared with the bishop in this parish in collaboration with your colleagues
- ii. To have regard to the calling and responsibilities of the clergy as described in the Canons, the Ordinal, the Code of Professional Conduct for the Clergy and other relevant legislation.
- iii. To work to advance the Kingdom of God through servant leadership, collaboration and example, and with particular regard to the current diocesan mission vision and goals:
 - a) **growing** growing new disciples in missionary church communities which are younger, more diverse, active and spiritually engaged
 - b) **nurturing** increasing vocations, nurturing new and existing disciples, increasing financial giving
 - c) **serving** present for all, speaking and acting prophetically for justice, supporting pastorally especially the vulnerable, deprived and excluded
- iv. To share in the wider work of the mission community, deanery and diocese as appropriate, for the building up of the whole Body of Christ

Specific

- i. To play a full part in the Mission Community and Deanery.
- ii. To build up and develop discipleship across the Team.
- iii. To nurture and develop every member ministry.
- iv. To enable and develop established and new ministries with young people and with families, in schools and churches.
- v. To explore and try new liturgies and maintain traditional forms of worship
- vi. To strengthen links with the local communities and build new partnerships, especially mindful of those who are socially isolated.
- vii. To sustain and support the pastoral teams in their ministry.
- viii. To develop further eco-church across the Team.

3. Key contacts

Generic

Churchwardens
PCCs
Mission Community
Deanery Chapter and Synod
St John's House staff

Specific

Ministry Team
Sunday School Junior Church and Toddler Group Leaders
Uniformed Organization Leaders
Pastoral Teams
Care Homes
Schools:

St Chad's & Kilngreen

Diggle School (primary) St Chad's CofE Primary School Saddleworth School (secondary)

Christ Church Friezland

Friezland Primary School

St Anne's

St Anne's CofE Lydgate Primary School

St Mary's

Greenfield Primary School
Greenfield St Mary's CofE Assisted Primary School
Bright Futures

St Thomas's Friarmere
Delph Primary School
Saddleworth Environmental Education
Christ Church Denshaw
Christ Church CofE Primary School
Holy Trinity Dobcross
Holy Trinity CofE Dobcross Primary School

Community Organizations
Churches Together in Saddleworth
Brass Band Organizations

Supportive

The Mission Community Leader
The Area Dean
The Archdeacon of Rochdale
The Bishop of Middleton
The Bishop of Manchester
The Reverend Sachin Awale
The Reverend Daniel Ramble
The Venerable Karen Smeeton
The Right Reverend Mark Davies
The Right Reverend Professor David Walker

4. Context

The Diocese of Manchester's vision (to be 'a worshipping, growing and transformative Christian presence at the heart of every community') cannot be achieved without radical rethinking of our present structures. We expect that candidates for a post in the Diocese of Manchester are committed to working together with ordained and lay colleagues in Mission Communities so we can better be mutually accountable to each other and be better able to meet the needs of local people. A successful applicant for this post would be expected to participate fully in the Mission Community as well as the Deanery, and encourage the ministries of others (lay and ordained). Saddleworth is a group of villages, each with its own identity, which forms a team. The Churches are at the heart of their respective communities and take a full part in the traditions of the area, such as the Whit Walks and Brass Band Contests, the Rush Cart Festival and Maundy Thursday Road End Fair. There is a wide spread of liturgical tradition, from BCP to Fresh Expressions and Anglo-catholic to Evangelical. A candidate for this post needs to be secure in their own spiritual identity and comfortable leading worship in a 'broad church'.