

REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION – FAMILY OUTREACH WORKER

Title: Family Outreach Worker.

Employed by: Lymington Parochial Church Council.

Line Managed by: The Vicar.

Workbase: Office accommodation will be provided at St Thomas Church.

Hours: 37.5 hours per week.

Aim.

To reach out to families in the area; to encourage them into membership of the Anglican community of Lymington; to nurture their spiritual growth.

Duties and Responsibilities.

1. To plan and implement initiatives designed to achieve the aim.
2. To obtain approval from the Parochial Church Council for these initiatives and their application and development.
3. To reach out especially to the following groups:
 - (i) Families presenting children for baptism; and
 - (ii) Parents and pupils at local schools – particularly Lymington Church of England Infant School.
4. When developing these initiatives to give priority to the following:
 - (i) Planning and leadership of baptismal services;
 - (ii) Follow-up contact with families;
 - (iii) Family friendly services and family friendly activities;
 - (iv) Recruitment, training and support of volunteers;
 - (v) Effective and efficient communication and co-operation with the Leadership teams in the parish; and
 - (vi) The work of Churches together in Lymington and District.
5. To report to the Parochial Church Council as required and at least annually.

6. To identify and fulfil all the diocesan and statutory requirements relevant to this job.
7. To undertake such duties as may be reasonably required by the line manager, including in-service training.

Qualifications

Essential: Formal qualification in a relevant discipline.

Desirable: Additional qualification(s) in associated areas.

Experience

Essential: Meeting with parents and children to share the Gospel.
Leadership of worship.
Working with a team to achieve a common aim.
Working experience of child protection, equal opportunities, health and safety and other relevant legislation.

Desirable: Preparation for baptism and follow-up contact.

Skills and Attributes

Essential: Committed Christian with a secure and growing faith and a vocation for this work.
Ability to work well with people of all ages and backgrounds.
Good communication skills.
Leadership/management skills.
Problem-solving skills.
Information Technology skills.

Vision

A person who is imaginative, has initiative, is passionate about the Gospel and has a love for people.