

## DIOCESE OF LEEDS

### Priest in Charge of the Emmanuel Benefice (Newsome, Armitage Bridge and Netherton)

#### Role Description

##### 1. Details of Post

<i>Role Title:</i>	Priest in Charge of the Emmanuel Benefice
<i>Deanery:</i>	Almondbury & Kirkburton
<i>Archdeaconry:</i>	Halifax
<i>Episcopal Area:</i>	Huddersfield
<i>Initial point of contact on terms of service:</i>	Archdeacon of Halifax

##### 2. Role Purpose

###### General

- To share with the Bishop both in the cure of souls and in responsibility, under God, for transforming lives, congregations and communities in these parishes in line with the current priorities established by the bishop.
- To be a spiritual leader in both parishes, having 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.
- To collaborate within the deanery in mission and ministry and in such reshaping of ministry as resources and opportunities may require.
- To work with the PCCs towards the development of the local church in line with each parish's vision and the Diocesan strategy.
- To build on each church's passion for drawing people into a life of faith and hope, so that these parishes may be a place and community of Christian hope, spirituality and discovery.
- To seek ecumenical cooperation wherever possible.
- To gain a good working understanding of the Diocese and the support it provides.
- To encourage Christian stewardship of people's time, money and abilities so that the ministry of the church is strengthened and enabled.
- Whilst maintaining a distinctively Christian witness, to make new positive links and develop the existing links with community and external organisations based in the parish, so that full use is made of opportunities for outreach and service to the community.

##### 3. Specific

These parishes are looking for a priest who will

- Lead us through the LYCiG process and help us to bring about generational change
- Teach us how to express our spirituality and understand our calling to faith
- Engage confidently with families, children and young people; and also develop an active presence within our local schools and community organisations
- Work constructively with our ecumenical partners and establish an obvious presence in our villages
- Encourage and appreciate the contribution of all members of our varied congregations

- Serve effectively as a Foundation Governor at South Crosland Church of England voluntary aided Junior School and also make links with our other schools as appropriate

#### **4. Role context and any other relevant information**

This benefice has recently closed one of its two Anglican church buildings, and are focusing ministry through the remaining building of St Paul, Armitage Bridge, and through their excellent relationships with local Methodist churches. The congregations are hopeful and ready to move forward under the leadership of a new priest, and keen to see their church grow in number and depth of discipleship, to see their links with schools and community organisations flourish.

#### **5. Key Contacts:**

*The Bishop of Huddersfield*  
*Archdeacon of Halifax*  
*The Area Dean*

The Rt Revd Smitha Prasadam  
The Ven Bill Braviner  
The Revd Julie Anderson

To be reviewed six months after commencement of the appointment, and at each Ministerial Development Review, alongside the setting of objectives.