

## Diocese of York

### Role Description:

## Vicar, The Benefice of Great Ayton with Easby and Newton-under-Roseberry

### 1 Introduction

This role description takes into account the Parochial Church Councils' statements of the condition, needs and traditions of the parish (the 'parish profile'). It should be reviewed 6 months after the commencement of the appointment, and if necessary at Ministerial Development Review, alongside the setting of objectives.

### 2 Details of post

2.1 Role title	Vicar
2.2 Name of benefice	Great Ayton w Easby and Newton-under-Roseberry
2.3 Deanery and archdeaconry	Stokesley, Cleveland
2.4 Initial point of contact on terms of service	The Diocesan Human Resources Adviser
2.5 Patron	The Archbishop

### 3 Role purpose: Generic

- 3.1 To share with the Archbishop and the Bishop of Whitby in the cure of souls in the benefice.
- 3.2 To be the priest of the benefice, having regard to the calling and responsibilities of the clergy of the Church of England as described in the Ordinal, the Canons, national Safeguarding policies, and all other relevant legislation, in accordance with the Archbishops' statement Guidelines for the Professional Conduct of the Clergy.
- 3.3 To work with other ministers and with members of the Parochial Church Councils in the development of the Church's mission and ministry, having regard to the need for sustainability and effectiveness in mission in each place, and jointly where appropriate.
- 3.4 To ensure that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care (appropriate to each setting) is provided.
- 3.5 To nurture discipleship and develop the ministry of all God's people, through training, co-operation and support, encouraging all people, as appropriate, to take responsibility for the mission and ministry of the parishes, and seeking to identify potential future leaders and ministers.
- 3.6 To be personally committed to, and to promote the Diocesan vision of 'Living Christ's Story', prayerfully working to engage with the five marks of mission in the parishes and to explore with the congregations how they can respond effectively to the Diocesan goals of: becoming more like Christ; reaching those we currently don't; growing churches of missionary disciples; and transforming our finances and structures.

3.7 To collaborate with others in the deanery in mission and ministry, and through deanery planning, participate in the future shaping of ministry according to the resources and opportunities available, and to be pro-active and constant in seeking the fullest possible degree of ecumenical co-operation and commitment.

#### **4 Role purpose: Specific**

4.1 To build on the work of the previous incumbent to grow the church and to be fully supportive of the Diocesan strategy expressed in *Living Christ's Story*.

4.2 To continue reaching out to the local community (especially children and young families) and ensure good use of all church buildings.

4.3 To nurture and strengthen links with the two local primary schools.

4.4 To enthusiastically support the variety of ministries offered in the parishes and to be respectful of the various styles of worship enjoyed by different congregations.

4.5 To continue to be a place of welcome to visitors drawn by local history (the James Cook connection) and the beautiful surroundings.

4.6 To encourage and enable lay ministries of all kinds, in conjunction with the Diocesan Ministry and Mission Team and to support the work of the lay ministers in the benefice.

4.7 To sustain generous financial giving through Free Will Offer.

4.8 To value the Occasional Offices and the links that they help to bring.

4.9 To maintain good relationships within the Deanery and to continue offering support to partners in the more challenging areas of Middlesbrough.

4.10 To value creation in word, education and practice, especially through Eco Church.

#### **5 Key contacts and relationships**

##### *5.1 Generic and local*

- a The Archbishop, Suffragan Bishop and Archdeacon
- b The Churchwardens and the Parochial Church Councils
- c The Area Dean, Lay Dean, Deanery Leadership Team, Chapter and Synod
- d Diocesan and archdeaconry advisers in specialist areas

##### *5.2 Locally based assistant ministers and colleagues*

- a Assistant Curate, the Revd Jon Dean
- b PTO priest, the Revd Geoff Jacques and LLM, Dr Nick Land
- c Two Readers with PTO

##### *5.3 Supportive*

- a The Area Dean
- b The Diocesan Director of Mission and Ministry
- c The Archbishop's Adviser and Co-ordinator of Pastoral Care

## 6 Role Context

The Deanery Plan does not anticipate any reorganisation of this benefice in the foreseeable future.

## 7 Benefice summary as at time of compilation

Number of parishes	2
Churches and listing	All Saints', Great Ayton (1), Christ Church, Great Ayton (2), St Oswald, Newton-under-Roseberry (2*)
Parsonage	A detached 4 bedroom house in Great Ayton
Other buildings	
PCCs	2
Churchyards	2 – Newton is open, All Saints' is closed
Population	4,895
Average Sunday attendance	99
Free Will Offer 2025	£100,800
Schools	Marwood C of E Primary School, Roseberry Academy
Expenses	Paid in full
Letter of Request / Extended Episcopal Oversight?	No
Liturgical practice	Central with vestments

## 8 Review

The Archdeacon will review this role description with you when you have been in post for six months.

Date: 9 January 2025