

## DIOCESE OF LEEDS

### Priest in Charge of St Stephen's Lindley

#### Role Description

#### 1. Details of Post

<i>Role Title:</i>	Priest in Charge
<i>Name of benefice(s):</i>	Lindley
<i>Deanery:</i>	Huddersfield
<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 growing churches, changing communities and for transforming lives.
- 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 including current safeguarding legislation.
- To collaborate within the deanery in mission and ministry and to seek opportunities for sharing resources with other local benefices.
- To develop the ministry of the laity, through training, delegation, encouragement and support so that they have greater involvement in the mission and ministry of the parish.
- To ensure that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care is provided so that people are more able to live and grow as disciples of Christ.
- 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.

#### 3. Specific

We are looking for a new priest who will:

- Connect with the congregation and community through faith, sermons and action
- Cultivate a growth in discipleship and develop lay leadership
- Be an excellent communicator extending our welcome and outreach
- Show compassion and energy in developing our pastoral work
- Grow our ministry with families and young people and work creatively with our schools
- Support the musical tradition of the church

In return we can offer you:

- A warm welcome from a hard-working congregation
- A congregation of all ages including many families
- A vibrant local community with connections to many schools
- A congregation already engaged in outreach

#### **4. Key contacts**

The Area Bishop – The Rt Revd Jonathan Gibbs

The Archdeacon – The Ven Dr Anne Dawtry

The Area Dean - The Revd Canon Rachel Firth

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