Outline of Roles for Self-Supporting Ordained Ministers in the Papworth Team Ministry

Context

The Papworth Team Ministry comprises 15 parishes covering 16 villages to the north and west of Cambridge. Geographically we are like a 'doughnut round Cambourne' straddling the A428. Only 2 villages (Papworth Everard and Bourn) have a population of more than 1000.

There are typically 8-10 services across the Team on Sundays; we gather for 1 Team Service on 5th Sundays. The Team runs Morning Prayer via ZOOM Monday to Saturday as well as a weekly telephone service. In the 10 months January to October there have been: 14 weddings, 45 funerals and 11 baptisms/christenings.

There are 4 primary schools; all children go out of the benefice for secondary schooling – chiefly to Cambourne or Swavesey Village Colleges.

Currently there is a Team Rector (stipendiary), one SSOM Associate Priest, an active retired minister with Permission to Officiate, one LLM who self-restricts to operating in 1 parish and 3 ALMs. We are supported by a part-time (20 hours per week) Team Administrator working in the Team Office. Team website: papworthteamchurches.org

We meet monthly as a Ministry Team of ordained and lay ministers, use the end of Morning Prayer as times to catch-up during the week; we lunch together following the annual Chrism Eucharist on Maundy Thursday in Ely.

Roles we want to recruit for - several!

- a) One or more Self-Supporting Ordained Ministers to be Focal Minister for 1 or 2 parishes.
- b) A Self-Supporting Ordained Minister to take a lead in Discipleship across the Team (and as a result be free of responsibility for Chairing a PCC).
- c) A Self-Supporting Minister to be a Pioneer Minister in Papworth Everard.

Person Specifications

- a) All the roles are open to women and men.
- b) All SSOMs to be without duties in the Team on 1 Sunday per month off (in addition to standard holiday allowances or expectations).
- c) The Team pays mileage at the recommended rates from your home base (whether or not you live in the benefice) for all ministry requirements and will offer support towards telephone line rental plus broadband and mobile telephone.
- d) We are looking to recruits candidates who are theologically orthodox.

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