Diocese of Sheffield
Role Description

1. Details of Post

Role Title: Pioneering Minster Priest for the Mission Partnership of Rotherham Minster & St. Paul’s Masbrough

Benefices: Rotherham All Saints (Rotherham Minster) & Masbrough St. Paul

Deanery: Rotherham

Archdeaconry: Sheffield & Rotherham

2. Role Purpose

a. To exercise the cure of souls in this Mission Partnership in collaboration with the Bishop, Vicar of Rotherham & Priest in Charge of Masbrough.

b. To grow Christ-like, lively and diverse Christian communities in this place which are effective in making disciples and in seeking to transform our society and God's world.

c. To represent the Church of England in society.

d. To support, encourage and resource colleagues in the deanery and diocese as together we seek to realise our diocesan vision.

3. General Responsibilities

a. To fulfill the responsibilities of clergy as described in the Canons, the Ordinal, the Code of Professional Conduct for the Clergy and other relevant legislation.

b. To watch over yourself.

c. To ensure that a high standard of worship, preaching and pastoral care is offered.

d. To develop the ministry of the laity such that all are using their gifts for the common good and to develop a ministry team.

e. To offer the gospel in a lively and engaging way to those who are outside the church.

f. To offer a way for people to explore the Christian gospel for the first time leading to baptism and confirmation.

g. To offer clear pathways for young Christians to grow to maturity as Christian disciples.

h. To lead the church in responding to human need by loving service.
i. To participate in diocesan, national and international initiatives to transform unjust structures of society.

j. To seek at all times to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

k. To encourage Christian stewardship of people’s time, money and abilities.

l. To collaborate with the Vicar of Rotherham & Priest in Charge of Masbrough and Churchwardens to ensure the church building(s) serve the church’s wider mission in the community.

m. To seek ecumenical cooperation wherever possible.

n. To collaborate with the deanery in mission and ministry and cooperate in the implementation of the deanery plan.

o. To ensure full compliance at all times with the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy.

4. Specific Responsibilities

This is a new post with a strong emphasis on modeling a mixed economy approach, pioneering new missional opportunities and networking with other pioneers in the Rotherham area. Clearly there must be flexibility in the Role Description for the pioneer to shape the role, in discussion with the Vicar of the Minster, the Archdeacon, the Director of Parish Support and the Bishops of Sheffield and Doncaster. At the outset, we anticipate many of the following responsibilities:

a. To assist the Vicar of the Minster in ministry at the Minster and Masbrough, modeling a ‘mixed economy approach’ and taking a shared responsibility for parish & civic services and social events across the Mission Partnership.

b. To explore new opportunities for mission in the Rotherham/Masbrough Mission Partnership, especially engaging with schools and youth organisations.

c. To develop a team to pioneer a fresh expression of church across the Mission Partnership, leading this team in planting a new ecclesial community (e.g. Messy Church) as a flagship in the deanery and diocese.

d. To be an advocate for a ‘mixed economy’ approach to mission, assisting parishes in the deanery to develop fresh expressions of church.

e. To support pioneer ministers in the Rotherham area (lay and ordained), and coordinate a deanery/regional pioneer hub.

f. To work with the Vicar of the Minster in developing an effective missional Town Centre Chaplaincy embracing business, shoppers, residents and tourists.

g. To assist the Area Dean in developing and establishing the deanery mission plan.

h. To work with the PST to align deanery and parish developments with key Diocesan strategies.

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5. Key colleagues within the church (local, deanery, diocese and ecumenical)

- Vicar of Rotherham & Priest in Charge of Masbrough
- Churchwardens
- Retired & Honorary Clergy of the Mission Partnership
- PCC’s
- Licensed Lay Minsters of the Mission Partnership
- Vergers
- Area Dean
- Other Pioneer Ministers of the Diocese
- Members of the PST
- Archdeacon of Sheffield & Rotherham
- Bishops of Sheffield and Doncaster

Ecumenical
- Methodist, Catholic, Pentecostal and other church leaders in the Deanery
- Churches Together in Rotherham
- Members of the Shiloh, Lighthouse and Foodbank Projects
- Rotherham Street Pastors

6. Key partners in the wider community (individuals and organisations)

Civic
- Mayor and Mayor’s Office
- Commissioners
- Member of Parliament
- Councillors and RMBC staff

Interfaith
- Interfaith Leaders & Imams via the Interfaith Leaders Council

Community
- South Yorkshire Police
- Feoffees
- Uniformed organizations including Sea Cadets
- RCAT (Rotherham College)
- Thomas Rotherham College
- Care homes & Hostels
- Schools
- Hospitals
- Voluntary groups and organisations

Review Date:

Signature of office holder: Date:

Signature of Archdeacon: Date: