**JOB ADVERT**

**Strengthening Communities Enabler circa £32,000**

The Strengthening Communities team of the Diocese of Lichfield works to resource parishes as they support their local communities. We focus on embedding 2 of the 5 Marks of Mission.

* T[o respond to human need by loving service](https://www.anglicannews.org/features/2020/02/the-five-marks-of-mission-three-to-respond-to-human-need-by-loving-service.aspx).
* [To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation](https://www.anglicannews.org/features/2020/03/the-five-marks-of-mission-four-to-transform-unjust-structures-of-society-to-challenge-violence-of-every-kind-and-pursue-peace-and-reconciliation.aspx).

The job’s purpose is to:

* develop relationships with the deaneries and parishes in the Diocese of Lichfield, supporting and developing community outreach and cohesion.
* represent the wider team serving as a positive ambassador with local churches and faith organisations, communities, and other partners in the voluntary and statutory sectors.
* particularly support the opening and development of Places of Welcome by providing advice and guidance.
* take a leadership role within the Strengthening Communities team, supporting colleagues and being the main channel of communication with the Diocesan CEO.

If you are passionate about strengthening local communities and you have the skills to build the confidence of volunteers and local people, we would love to hear from you. You will need to:

* Be a self-starter who can work independently and manage your own workload.
* Be a good communicator, able to both empathise and problem-solve.
* Have experience of working or volunteering in the community sector and networking with a range of partners.
* Able to travel across the Diocese (and ideally have experience of working in the area).

This is a post to which an Occupational Requirement under paragraph 1 of Schedule 9 to the Equality Act 2010 applies, the requirement being that the post holder is a practising Christian.

Please download a copy of the application form and information pack from [lichfield.anglican.org/vacancies/](http://lichfield.anglican.org/vacancies/) and submit this to Jo Durber with a covering letter of no more than one side of A4 describing what attracts you to this role, either by post to St Mary’s House, The Close Lichfield WS13 7LD, or by email to [jo.durber@lichfield.anglican.org](http://about:blank/) by  **23rd April 2023.**

Interviews for this role will take place on **5th May 2023**