**The Rt Revd Libby Lane**

**Bishop of Derby**

**Vacancy for Priest-in-Charge (part-time) of the Benefice of Wingerworth, All Saints**

Thank you for considering this post.

This is an exciting time for the Diocese of Derby: as the Church of England is renewing its calling to be centred on Christ Jesus and shaped by Him, the Diocese of Derby echoes that call as we re-articulate a vision for the next 7 years:

**Vision:** The Kingdom of God: Good News for All

**Mission:** To proclaim *afresh* in this generation the good news of the Kingdom

**Values:** Generous Faith - Courageous Hope – Life-Giving Love

**Aims:** Transformed Lives: Growing Church, Building Community

**Outcomes:** Deepening relationship with God; Making new disciples; Serving local communities,

Challenging injustice

In each deanery, parishes and benefices are engaging in Mission Action Planning towards a more missional and sustainable future that embeds our desired outcomes in every context. We are looking to appoint a person of vision and purpose to serve this church and community in a way that brings new life and the hope of the Kingdom to both established and new residents. The new Priest-in-Charge will be someone who thrives when leading transformational change with the skills to enable sustainable missional growth.

This parish has had a long vacancy, supported by a committed ‘home team, two placement clergy and a re-vitalised PCC. There is a genuine longing for leadership that brings growth, including to a large area of new housing that will include a new Church Primary school at some point in the future. There is also an understanding that working with neighbouring parishes is essential.

We are looking to appoint a missional leader, with some understanding of the challenges of expanding commuter villages, who embodies our diocesan values with imagination and persistence. It will be hard work and deeply rewarding. We also seek someone who will work collaboratively across and beyond the Parish to equip, shape and resource growing church and building community that God’s Kingdom may come.

Be assured of my continuing prayers for you as you discern God’s call.

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