

### **Role description for Pastoral Team members as Pastoral Visitors**

(The team includes the Pastoral Team Leader who has trained on a Diocesan training programme as a Pastoral Assistant, and Pastoral Visitors who work in a supportive capacity having completed the Diocesan Pastoral Visitors training together with ongoing in-house or additional Diocesan training when available. Trained Pastoral Assistants also have individual role descriptions).

**Role:** To provide pastoral care for members of All Saints Church, and members of the parish and local community where appropriate.

#### **Role Requirements:**

##### **To be:**

To be a person of compassion and understanding, who offers pastoral care in a gracious, Christ-like manner; and who treats each person with respect and dignity, as a unique individual created in the image of God.

##### **To do:**

(Expectations for your role)

*Any of the following, by prior agreement with the Pastoral Team Leader:*

- To visit the sick, those in hospital and the housebound
- To support the dying and the bereaved
- To welcome newcomers to the church and those who have moved into the local area
- To support families with church links within the community
- To distribute Holy Communion to the sick and the housebound on a mutually agreed frequency basis
- To pray with and for people when visiting, either informally or using approved prayers as appropriate
- To be a pastoral presence at Sunday services and afterwards during coffee and tea, to welcome, listen and care.

*To do all of the following:*

- To attend the Pastoral Team meetings on a regular basis, for support, guidance and supervision by the team leader together with individual support and supervision sessions planned with the Team Leader on a bi-monthly basis or as may be needed.
- To read and adhere to all aspects of the All Saints Safeguarding Policy ( [www.cofeguildford.org.uk/safeguardingpolicy](http://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/safeguardingpolicy) ), including being safely recruited and any training requirements; and other Policies of All Saints Church,
- To fill out the contact sheet for each visit and to bring completed sheets to team meetings

#### **Reports to:**

Pastoral Team Leader (Vision Group Chair)

#### **Agreement:**

I agree to being a member of the Pastoral Team at All Saints Church, under the governance structures of the incumbent and the PCC.

Name (print and sign): \_\_\_\_\_

Incumbent: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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