

ARCHDEACONRY ADVISERS FOR LICENSED LAY MINISTRY

There are about ten archdeaconry advisers (AAs) who are responsible to, and work with, the warden of readers and his/her deputy. They assist the warden in the support and development of the ministry of licensed lay ministers in their area.

The archdeaconry advisers are volunteers, chosen and appointed by the warden, and work in their local area. They will be responsible for up to four deaneries, and their names and areas of responsibility are found on the contacts page, found on the LLM homepage.

The work of the AAs includes the following:-

- In conjunction with vocations advisors, and clergy, we meet with potential licensed lay ministry candidates, helping them consider their call, apply for training, and prepare for participating in selection conferences.
- We participate in selection conferences to select candidates for training. One of us has the task of chairing and organising these conferences, of which there are about three each year.
- We share in the pastoral care of licensed lay ministry candidates in training in our area.
- We help LLMs who have moved into our areas transfer their licence and establish their new ministry. This includes helping them with the application process, and formally presenting their new licence in a licensing service in their new parish.
- We attend and help plan the annual forum (in the spring), the annual residential conference (summer) and the annual service (autumn).
- We participate, with each minister's incumbent, in the LLM ministry development reviews. In this context we see each LLM in our area once every four years.
- We are a source of information for all licensed lay ministers in our area, and are available to offer advice and support to any LLM needing help.
- We attend team meetings with the deputy warden and warden about 6 times a year to progress this work.