

PASTORAL SUPPORT DIRECTOR FOR ENGLISH FOOTBALL

Job Description

The Director will be an employee of SCORE. The appointment will be for a 2 year fixed term contract, home based.

The main tasks will include:

1. Supporting existing chaplains & encouraging good practice

- Making regular personal contact
- Developing support structures through networks and materials
- Nurturing unity and corporate identity amongst Score chaplains,
- Ensuring that chaplains deliver an agreed high standard of service by providing accountability and establishing a code of practice.

2. Extending the vision of existing chaplains

- Appraising the wider network of existing chaplains of particular schemes
- Disseminating ideas & good practice
- Encouraging chaplains involvement in community cohesion initiatives and local faith and community groups
- Improving the availability of chaplaincy through all areas of the club

3. Developing the provision of pastoral care to football scholars

- Extending care to players below the age of 16 at Academies and Centres of Excellence
- Offering support to parents and boys on a player's release
- Making life skills material and information available
- Offering advice and support to all staff relating to the development and wellbeing of boys
- Liaising with staff in relation to Education Welfare and Child Protection

4. Promoting the Work of Score and Sports Chaplaincy in Football

- Developing links between the clubs and faith groups
- Training, supporting and resourcing new chaplains
- Taking a proactive role in identifying external partnerships for SCORE

5. Developing links with football bodies.

- Meeting with the Football Steering Group three times a year
- Engaging with the pastoral needs as considered by the Premier League, Football League & PFA
- Liaising with particular interest groups, e.g. Kick it Out, Football in the Community to feed information into the chaplaincy network

Essential qualities

It is essential that the Pastoral Support Director:

- Can display a knowledge of the football club chaplain arrangement
- Can display commitment to working within a Faith environment
- Is a self-motivator
- Is able to work as part of a team
- Is a good listener
- Is a competent administrator
- Is an excellent communicator
- Is able to motivate and organise others
- Is able to reflect theologically and practically on the praxis of chaplaincy
- Is prepared to work ecumenically

The Application form can be found on the SCORE website at www.scorechaplaincy.org.uk

Please apply in writing with CV to:
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Please note applicants must be available for interviews to be held in London on Tuesday July 14th 2009.