



YOUTH WORKER

ATTERCLIFFE & DARNALL

25

hours per
week

£17,134

per annum
(£24,000 FTE)

5

year initial
contract

PART TIME YOUTH WORKER

This is an exciting new role and a chance to join a pioneering mission initiative. The role is in partnership with the Parish of Attercliffe and Darnall (a Local Ecumenical Partnership with the Methodist Church, the Church of England and the United Reformed Church) and the Church Army's Centre of Mission in Attercliffe and Darnall.

Attercliffe and Darnall is located in East Sheffield with a parish population of approximately 14,000. It's a diverse community with lots of need. The community at the Church of Christ is a 'can do' group of people with a calling to share the love of Jesus in the local area, especially with those in need. Our faith is hands-on, but we also explore our faith through creativity, Bible study and prayer.

The Church Army's Centre of Mission works from the festival church, Saint Alban's in the heart of a residential and multicultural community. Led by husband and wife team, Kinder and Gina Kalsi, the centre lives and works within the local community. Growing church through a rhythm of eating, praying and engaging is life together is the heartbeat of the Attercliffe and Darnall Centre of Mission.

The role of Youth Worker has emerged from a growing connection with local young people in schools and across the local community. The Youth Worker will report to the Lead Evangelist at the Centre of Mission and the aim of the role is to bring the good news to the youth of Attercliffe & Darnall - unlocking God's potential in their lives and building new Youth Christian communities.

We're looking for someone who can build on existing relationships and grow connections with young people. The role will focus particularly (but not exclusively) on the younger generations aged 12+. If you've got a love for young people and sharing the good news with them, then we'd love to hear from you.



Employment Details

- The post covers the parish of Attercliffe & Darnall. However, some travel within the wider Diocese will be required.
- The post is part time and will require evening and weekend work.
- The role reports to a Line Manager in the parish and to the Centenary Project.

What we need you to do

The main responsibilities of the role are:

1	To develop and oversee the work of young people in the parish of Attercliffe and Darnall; reaching, nurturing and discipling young people in their Christian faith.
2	To co-ordinate and develop a team of volunteers to oversee the work with young people.
3	To be a member of the Centenary Project Worker Network.

Application information:

Closing Date: 30 November 2023

Interview Date: 13 December 2023

Further Information

For an informal conversation about this post, please contact:

- Dave Ludbrook, Centenary Project - info@centenaryproject.org.uk
- Visit the Centenary Project website – www.centenaryproject.org.uk
- Contact a member of the team at Diocesan Church House on Tel: 01709 309 100

Who we are looking for?

It is a genuine requirement that the post-holder should be a communicant member of the Church of England or a full member of a Church within Churches Together in Britain and Ireland (have a chat to us if you're not sure what that means).

We need someone who:

- Has first-hand experience of leading or co-ordinating activities for young people that are appropriate for the context.
- Has good people and communication skills, appropriate for connecting with young people, interacting with the church family and reaching the community.
- Able to motivate self and others and to manage use of time.
- Working knowledge and commitment to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of participants.



Attercliffe Centre of Mission



Church of Christ, Darnall

Effectively engage, nurture and disciple a new generation of young people, children and families.

What is the Centenary Project?

Our vision is to equip local churches, enabling them to effectively engage, nurture and disciple a new generation of children, young people and families.

We employ workers in parishes where a significant difference can be made; aiming to help those parishes who wouldn't be able to appoint without our help.

Our projects will always focus on mission and not maintenance as we work toward sustainable posts with strategic objectives. We want to see more people connecting with our churches, especially children and young people.

How does the Centenary Project Work?

Over the last 15 years, the trend has been that youth workers and children's workers leave their jobs for a number of reasons;

- Lack of objectives - unclear what their role is
- Poor line management - incumbents unskilled in managing staff and volunteers
- Too inward looking - not enough mission-focus
- Overworked and underpaid - feeling unappreciated and unvalued
- No support or network to draw on
- Money runs out - post not sustainable

The Centenary Project is tackling all of these issues head on, and seeing workers commit for the long-term, happy in their work, feeling supported and encouraged by the network, seeing a future in youth or children's ministry and feeling secure in the funding arrangements.



How Are Centenary Project Workers Supported?

Support for workers is essential.

The help, guidance and encouragement we continually provide to our workers is the foundation upon which we have achieved the success of our project to date.

We work with parishes, incumbents, the Diocese and other workers and team members to provide each of the following areas of support and opportunities for ongoing growth;

