**Help and Support with Vision 2026**

Welcome to this helpful guide to all those serving our parishes from our Diocesan Offices (Clayton House) on the edge of Blackburn. There is also information about Bishop's House and Whalley Abbey staff.

Our hard-working teams are structured in the best way to focus on and support your needs as parishes - including some staff whose work is funded by the national church.

**General contact number and getting to the Diocesan offices:**

Clayton House

Diocesan Offices

Walker Office Park

Blackburn BB1 2QE

Phone: 01254 503070

# Map and directions

Clayton House is located close to Junction 5 of the M65 on Walker Business Park.

• [Google maps location.](https://www.google.com/search?rlz=1C1CHBF_en-GBGB771GB771&q=walker+business+park+blackburn+google+maps&npsic=0&rflfq=1&rlha=0&rllag=53725410,-2452428,75&tbm=lcl&ved=2ahUKEwjRwPT3warjAhVRZMAKHYumCJIQtgN6BAgKEAQ&tbs=lrf:!2m1!1e2!2m1!1e3!3sIAE,lf:1,lf_ui:2&rldoc=1#rlfi=hd:;si:6940500344778193603,l,Cip3YWxrZXIgYnVzaW5lc3MgcGFyayBibGFja2J1cm4gZ29vZ2xlIG1hcHMiA4gBAVoWChR3YWxrZXIgYnVzaW5lc3MgcGFyaw;mv:!1m2!1d53.726128499999994!2d-2.4505319!2m2!1d53.722837!2d-2.4546533999999998!3m12!1m3!1d1598.3572722873844!2d-2.45259265!3d53.72448275!2m3!1f0!2f0!3f0!3m2!1i97!2i130!4f13.1)

From the motorway roundabout travel towards Blackburn. At the first set of traffic lights, turn left towards Lower Darwen (Blackamoor Road).

Turn left at the next traffic lights onto Walker Park. Take the first turning on the right. Clayton House is located on the far left with ample parking to the front and side of the building.

This handout provides key contacts and resources to support parishes in implementing **Vision 2026 and beyond**. Visit the **Diocesan website** [(www.blackburn.anglican.org)](http://www.blackburn.anglican.org/) or the **Diocesan Board of Education website** [(www.bdeducation.org)](http://www.bdeducation.org/) for further guidance.

# 1. Vision 2026 Support



**Contacts:**

* **Carolyn Barton** – Director of Vision Delivery carolyn.barton@blackburn.anglican.org | 07990 032600
* **Chrissie Oakley** – Project Manager chrissie.oakley@blackburn.anglican.org | 07393 504904

*Carolyn and Chrissie can help PCCs and leadership teams develop and implement Vision 2026 locally. They also provide funding advice for new projects.*

# 2. Vision Planning and Vision Partners

A **Vision Action Plan** helps parishes tailor their approach to Vision 2026.

*Recommended Resource:*

* *"How to do Mission Action Planning: Prayer, Planning and Process"* by **Mark Ireland & Mike Chew**

**Healthy Churches Toolkit**

* A framework to assess and improve parish health  [Healthy Church Assessment Tool](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/healthy-church-assessment-tool)

**Contacts:**

* **Revd. Steve Haskett** – Diocesan Renewal Lead steve.haskett@blackburn.anglican.org | 07379 195763
* **Revd**. **Sarah O’Donoghue** – Diocesan Renewal Officer sarah.odonoghue@blackburn.anglican.org | 07483 948384 • **Revd. Karen Herschell** – Diocesan Rural Renewal Officer karen.herschell@blackburn.anglican.org | 07483 905970



* **Janet Sanderson** - PA to Director of Vision Delivery & Diocesan Renewal Programme Operations Facilitator

janet.sanderson@blackburn.anglican.org | 07484 495587

*Vision Partners can help develop action plans, offer fresh ideas, and lead PCC Awaydays.*

# 3. Making Disciples

The Making Disciples Team are responsible for the [**"Making Disciples" building block**](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/making-disciples-of-jesus-christ) of the diocese's overall Vision for growth and change.

**Contacts:**

* **Archdeacon of Blackburn**  – Diocese Lead for Making Disciples (position vacant)

Kelly.quinn@blackburn.anglican.org | 07384 819825

 *Key areas: Bible study, prayer, active worship, giving.*

* **Sarah Marston** – Making Disciples Co-ordinator sarah.marston@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503098
* **Revd Mary Ashton** – Warden of Spiritual Directors spiritualdirection@blackburn.anglican.org

# 4. Stewardship and Giving

**Contacts:**

* **Stephanie Rankin** – Stewardship Resourcing Officer (Lancaster) stephanie.rankin@blackburn.anglican.org | 07717116483
* **Blackburn Archdeaconry Stewardship Officer** – *(Position currently advertised)* xxxxxxxxx@blackburn.anglican.org | 07

*Support with giving, planned giving schemes, digital giving, and Parish Giving Scheme.*

[Regular Giving Info](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/regular-giving)

# 5. Being Witnesses

The Being Witnesses strand of Vision 2026 is led by Bishop Joe Kennedy. It is focussed on sharing our faith with confidence, reaching out to new groups of people through starting new local congregations, planting new churches, leading Christian Enquiry courses, enabling social action to support those struggling in our communities, and ensuring we are maintaining our world for future generations caring for creation.” **Contacts:**

* **Bishop Joe Kennedy** – Bishop of Burnley bishop.burnley@blackburn.anglican.org • **Abigail Saunders –** PA to the Bishop of Burnley pa.burnley@blackburn.anglican.org | 07939 187452
* **Joy Rushton** – Being Witnesses Manager joy.rushton@blackburn.anglican.org | 07388 137265

*Focus: Evangelism, new congregations, social action, Eco-Church, ministry for people with dementia, sports ministry and disability grants.*

**Beacon Course:** A 4-week Zoom course led by Bishop Jill to equip leaders for new congregations. Please contact Joy Rushton for more details.

# 6. Growing Leaders

The Growing Leaders Strand of Vision 2026 is overseen by Bishop Jill Duff, and managed by Anne Beverley, Director of Ministry. Our team’s passion is to pray and work for the raising up of leaders from all walks of life to reflect the diversity of our Diocese. At the moment, our capacity is mainly focussed on discerning vocations to lay & ordained ministry, and offering training for vicars, curates, LLMs & ALMs.

**Contacts:**

* **Bishop Jill Duff** – Bishop of Lancaster bishop.lancaster@blackburn.anglican.org
* **Revd. Anne Beverley** – Director of Vocations anne.beverley@blackburn.anglican.org | 07841 742022

* **Christy Sawyer** – Warden of Lay Training

Christy.sawyer@blackburn.anglican.org | 07483 948381

* **Sarah McAlister** – PA to Director of Vocations sarah.mcalister@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503090
* **Ramsay Lunn** – Vocations Registrar

Ramsay.lunn@blackburn.anglican.org | 07483 906802

*Supports lay and ordained leaders through training, vocations, and ministry framework.*

[k](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/lay-majorityministry-framework)

Lay Majority Ministry Framewor

**M:Power Training**

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Rev Rebecca Roberts

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Equipping leaders for

**urban estates**

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[g](https://mpowertraininghub.wixsite.com/mysite/about-us)



# 7. Inspiring Children & Young People

**Contacts:**

* **Ven. David Picken** – Archdeacon of Lancaster and Chair of Board of Education david.picken@blackburn.anglican.org | 07493 299677



* **Jude Causer** – PA to Archdeacon of Lancaster jude.causer@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503097
* **Sarah Earnshaw** – Children’s Work Advisor sarah.earnshaw@blackburn.anglican.org | 07976 205739
* **Ben Green** – Youth Work Advisor ben.green@blackburn.anglican.org | 07813 903420
* **Iain Parks** – Director of Education

Iain.parks@blackburn.anglican.org | 07816 840628

* **Sam Lee** – Ignite Project Manager sam.lee@blackburn.anglican.org | 07484 073113

* Helen Morris – PA to the Director of Education



helen.morris@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503404 *Support, resources, and training for children’s and youth ministry.*

**Key Resources:**

* **Children’s Ministry:** [www.bdeducation.org.uk/children/](http://www.bdeducation.org.uk/children/)
* **Youth Ministry:** [www.bdeducation.org.uk/youth/](http://www.bdeducation.org.uk/youth/)

# 8. Church Buildings & Vision Fund

**Contacts:**

* **Jen Read** – Senior Church Buildings Officer jen.read@blackburn.anglican.org | 07899 348952
* **Jamie Skuse** – Church Buildings Support Officer
* jamie.skuse@blackburn.anglican.org | 07484 073151
* **Faye Gunn -** Mission & Pastoral Officer and Assistant DAC Secretary
* Faye.gunn@blackburn.anglican.org | 07817 550224
* **Rosie Griffiths –** DAC administrator
* rosie.griffiths@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503072

*Advice on maintenance, renovations, List Bs, building grants and faculty permissions*.

**Diocesan Vision Fund –** for small grants up to £5,000 or larger grants up to £25,000

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**Kelly Quinn**

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PA to Archdeacon of Blackburn and Vision Fund Co

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Grants available for

**Vision 2026**

initiatives.

Parish Vision Fun

[d](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/financial-assistance-groupparish-vision)



# 9. Communications

**Contact:**

* **Ronnie Semley** – Communications Manager ronnie.semley@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503416



* **Kaitlyn Rose** - Digital Communications Officer

Kaitlyn.rose@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503078

* **Karen Ashcroft** – Administrative Support

Karen.ashcroft@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503070

*Get support to promote parish projects via diocesan communication channels.*

# 10. Safeguarding

**Contact:**

* **Catherine Smith** – Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor safeguarding@blackburn.anglican.org | 07711 485170 •**Sophie Booth** – Assistant Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor safeguarding@blackburn.anglican.org | 07468 971759



* **Claudia Aspey** – Safeguarding Administrator safeguarding@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503088
* **Andrea Richards –** Safeguarding Trainer safeguarding@blackburn.anglican.org | 07484 073146

*Ensuring safe churches for all. Contact for any safeguarding concerns.*

[Diocesan Safeguarding Team](https://www.blackburn.anglican.org/diocesan-safeguarding-team)

# 11. Parish Share & Finance

**Contact:**

* **Julie Grimshaw -** Administrator  parishshare@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503074 *Get support on booking parish share meetings or speaking to one of the team.*
* **Stephen Whittaker** – Diocesan Secretary

Stephen.whittaker@blackburn.anglican.org

* **Ruth McGaughey** – Head of Finance

Ruth.Mcgaughey@blackburn.anglican.org

**Parish Finance –** For help and advice with parish finance

* **Mila Farnhill -** Financial and Management Accountant mila.farnhill@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503076

# 12. Property

**Contact:**

* **Mike Kellett -** Diocesan Surveyor & Property Manager  michael.kellett@blackburn.anglican.org | 07384544228

* **Sharon Anderson –** Senior Property Officer

Sharon.anderson@blackburn.anglican.org | 07778503141

* **Steph Worswick** - Property Secretary

Stephanie.worswick@blackburn.anglican.org | 07484 073112

* **Hannah Howarth –** Property Administrator

Hannah.howarth@blackburn.anglican.org | 01254 503080

*Get support on all aspects of Diocesan housing*

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## 13. Whalley Abbey – Centre for Christian Discipleship and Prayer

* **Revd Anna Walker** – Director of Whalley Abbey bookings@whalleyabbey.org | 01254 828400

* Open for **retreats, meetings, and events**.  [www.whalleyabbey.org](http://www.whalleyabbey.org/)



**Next Steps:**

Identify which area(s) of Vision 2026 you need support with.

Reach out to the relevant contacts.

Use available resources to develop your parish action plan.

For more details, visit the **Diocesan website**:

[www.blackburn.anglican.org](http://www.blackburn.anglican.org/)

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**Vision 2026 Support Contacts**

**Who do you need to contact for support?**

**Area Contact Email Phone**

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Vision Implementation carolyn.barton@blackburn.anglican.org

Barton 032600

Chrissie 07393

Project Management chrissie.oakley@blackburn.anglican.org

Oakley 504904

Revd. Steve 07379

Diocesan Renewal steve.haskett@blackburn.anglican.org

Haskett 195763

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| Being Witnesses | Joy Rushton | joy.rushton@blackburn.anglican.org | 137265 |
| Growing Leaders | Revd. Anne Beverley | anne.beverley@blackburn.anglican.org | 07841  742022 |
| Lay Training | Christy Sawyer | Christy.sawyer@blackburn.anglican.org | 07483  948381 |
| Children’s Ministry | Sarah 07976  sarah.earnshaw@blackburn.anglican.org  Earnshaw 205739 | | | |
| Youth Ministry | 07813  Ben Green ben.green@blackburn.anglican.org  903420 | | | |
| Church Buildings | 07899  Jen Read jen.read@blackburn.anglican.org  348952 | | | |
| Parish Vision Fund | 07384  Kelly Quinn kelly.quinn@blackburn.anglican.org  819825 | | | |
| Communications | Ronnie 01254  ronnie.semley@blackburn.anglican.org  Semley 503416 | | | |
| Safeguarding | Catherine 07711  safeguarding@blackburn.anglican.org  Smith 485170 | | | |
| Parish Share | Julie 01254  parishshare@blackburn.anglican.org  Grimshaw 503074 | | | |
| Human Resources | Andrew Cooke Andrew.cooke@blackburn.anglican.org 07920277043 | | | |
| Registry | 07483  Fleur Court [Fleur.court@blackburn.anglican.org](mailto:Fleur.court@blackburn.anglican.org) 948387 | | | |
| **Bishop’s House Staff** |  | | | |
| Executive Assistant | 01254  Louise Hunter Louise.hunter@blackburn.anglican.org 248234 | | | |
| Clergy Appointments Officer | 01254  Susan Stewart appointments@bishopofblackburn.org.uk 248234 | | | |
| Operations for the  Bishop of Blackburn | Esther 01254  operations@bishopofblackburn.org.uk  Tregilgas 248234 | | | |
| Bishop’s Chaplain | Revd Sam Chaplain@bishopofblackburn.org.uk 01254  Cheesman 248234 | | | |
| Bishop of Blackburn | Rt Revd Philip Bishop@bishopofblackburn.org.uk 01254  North, 248234 | | | |
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## Vision 2026 Parish Support Worksheet

**Parish Information**

* **Parish Name:**
* **Vision Champion:**
* **PCC Contact Person:**
* **Parish Safe Guarding Officer:**
* **Key Parish Goals for Vision 2026:**

### Parish Action Plan

1. **Current Strengths:** 
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2. **Areas for Development:** 
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3. **Immediate Next Steps (1-3 months):** 
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4. **Medium-Term Goals (6-12 months):** 
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5. **Long-Term Vision (Beyond 12 months):** 
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### Resources & Training Needs

* **Are there specific training needs for your parish?**
* **Would you benefit from PCC Awaydays or Mission Action Planning?**

* **Do you need assistance with online giving or stewardship plans?**

### Funding Opportunities

* **Vision Fund Project Ideas:**

* **Grants or Funding Support Needed:**

For further details, visit:

* [Diocesan Website](https://blackburndbf-my.sharepoint.com/personal/kelly_quinn_blackburn_anglican_org1/Documents/Kelly.Quinn/Kelly.Quinn/My%20Documents/Church%20Wardens/www.blackburn.anglican.org)
* [Board of Education](https://blackburndbf-my.sharepoint.com/personal/kelly_quinn_blackburn_anglican_org1/Documents/Kelly.Quinn/Kelly.Quinn/My%20Documents/Church%20Wardens/www.bdeducation.org)

**Contact your Vision 2026 support team for any additional help!**