Role Description

Rector of Walbury Beacon Benefice, West Berkshire

Role title:	Rector
Type of Role:	Full-Time Stipendiary
Name of Benefice:	Walbury Beacon Benefice
Deanery:	Newbury
Conditions of Service:	Please refer to Statements of Particulars document issued in conjunction with this role description
Key Contact:	Paul Cowan, Associate Archdeacon

Key Responsibilities

- Provide spiritual leadership across all four parishes that enables us to live the gospel values of Jesus Christ as a community reaching out to the people in our Benefice and wider world
- Place a pastoral heart at the centre of ministry, prioritising care for people.
- Lead a variety of prayerful worship with thoughtful liturgy and teaching to nurture discipleship and encourage the development and use of gifts.
- Guide the Benefice in deepening faith, nurturing relationships, gradual change and building mission-focused communities.
- Support our mission of engagement and outreach creating opportunities for people to encounter the Church through community life, shared experiences and practical pastoral care.
- Articulate the Christian faith clearly, especially to those exploring or questioning belief.
- Foster collaborative ministry, affirming the curate and Ministry Team, and supporting shared responsibility.
- Work closely with the Benefice Administrator to enable a greater focus from leaders on mission: pastoral care, community engagement and growth.
- Strengthen connections between parishes while enabling distinct mission opportunities in each location to encourage a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- To build stronger partnerships with schools and other local organisations, together with a programme of events that responds to the interests and needs of the wider community, to help the Benefice become an increasingly visible and valued part of local life.

Clergy Terms of Service:

This role falls within the Clergy Terms of Service formally known as Common Tenure.

The Associate Archdeacon Berkshire is the designated person by the Bishop of Oxford to issue the Statement of Particulars for the post holder.

Accountability:

Priests share with the Bishop in the oversight of the Church.

Whilst, as an office holder, the individual is expected to lead and prioritise work in line with the purpose of the role, they are encouraged to inform the Associate Archdeacon and Churchwardens about any issues exceptional or otherwise that have the potential to affect ongoing delivery of ministry