

New Leaders in Larger Churches' Conference

**An opportunity for new leaders in larger churches
to confer, think and interact together;
open to those who have been in post for
up to 2 years or about to be appointed**

Monday-Wednesday 15th - 17th October, 2018 at High Leigh Conference Centre,
Lord Street, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire ☎ 01992 463 016

Chair: Revd Canon Graham Archer, Director of Ministry, CPAS
Other speakers: Revd Paul Harcourt, All Saints, Woodford Green, Essex
Dr Jules Morgan, Director of Operations, New Wine
Revd Andrew Sachs, St John's, Colchester, Essex
Revd John Coyne, Aldridge Parish Church, Walsall
Facilitator: Dr Peter Brierley, Brierley Consultancy, Tonbridge, Kent

Monday 15th October 2018

- 12.30 Registration
13.00 Lunch
13.45 Settle into our bedrooms and go to Cherry Conference Room
- 14.15 Welcome, Worship, Introductions, Setting the Theme (Chair)
- 14.45 **THEME: Managing Expectations**
"The Joys and Challenges of Larger Churches"
Paul Harcourt
- 15.45 Tea
- 16.15 Group discussion around vision, Sunday resourcefulness, adding value to the community, being busy 24/7, being a manager and leader and related issues
- 17.15 Break
17.30 **THEME: Key Statistics for Larger Church Leaders**, and what to do with them, Peter Brierley
- 18.45 Break
19.15 Dinner
- 20.30 Bar and continuing informal discussion

Tuesday 16th October

- 08.15 Breakfast
- 09.15 Worship and Introduction for the Day (Chair)
- 09.30 **THEME: Appointing and Developing Staff and Senior Volunteers**
Jules Morgan

- 10.45 Coffee
11.15 Group discussion around appointing staff into your weaknesses, reviewing of the staff structure, developing staff and senior volunteers and related issues
- 12.30 Break
13.00 Lunch
- 14.15 Pause to pray (Chair)
- 14.30 **THEME: Vision and Strategy: Andrew Sachs**
“Finding Direction and Going on a Journey in a Larger Church”
- 15.45 Tea
16.15 Group discussion around mission audit tools, strategic coalitions, understanding the role of the PCC and Deanery Synod members (or Elders), communication and related issues
- 17.15 Break
17.30 **THEME: Leader of Leaders: John Coyne**
“The importance of preaching”
- 18.45 Break
19.15 Dinner
20.30 Bar and continuing informal discussion

Wednesday 17th October

- 08.15 Breakfast
- 09.15 **THEME: Window Shopping: Graham Archer**
“The significance and opportunities of Sunday worship in a Larger Church”
- 10.30 Coffee
11.00 Group discussion around having a system for planning Sundays, a system for reviewing the quality of Sundays, how people connect with each other and related issues
- 12.15 Break
12.30 Personal time to reflect, record and pray (in individual locations)
12.45 Comments on Conference; suggestions for the future (Peter)
12.55 Closing prayer
13.00 Lunch and Departure

Please make a note of the dates for the (Eighth) National Larger Anglican Churches Conference, also at the High Leigh Conference Centre:

Monday to Wednesday lunch-time 14th to 16th October 2019

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Monday 15th October lunch-time to Wednesday 17th October lunch-time 2018
at the High Leigh Conference Centre, Lord Street, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire

This Conference will be extremely useful for any **newly appointed leader** (less than 2 years or so into the post) of a larger church, or any person about to become such. It is also open to **any Associate, Assistant or Youth Minister**, or other ordained leader who has newly joined a larger church team. "Larger" in this context is a church with a regular Sunday attendance in excess of 300 people, including children.

The Conference focuses on key issues relevant to anyone settling into such an area of responsibility (all led by those who are or have been leaders of larger churches):

- Managing Expectations, led by Rev Paul Harcourt of Woodford Green
- Appointing and Developing Staff and Senior Volunteers, led by Dr Jules Morgan, formerly of St Stephen's, Twickenham, now Director of Operations, New Wine
- Strategies for achieving Vision, led by Rev Andrew Sachs of St John's, Colchester
- Preaching and Leadership, led by Rev John Coyne of Aldridge Parish Church, Walsall
- The Opportunities of Sundays, led by Rev Graham Archer, Director of Ministry, CPAS and previously vicar, Highfield, Southampton
- Key Statistics for larger church leaders, led by Dr Peter Brierley

Each session includes a talk, plenary debate, questions and answers, and sometimes group work.

What participants have said about previous Conferences, which began in 2008:

- ★ "Ranks as one of the best and most useful conferences I've been on."
- ★ "A worthwhile, excellent and unique conference."
- ★ "A big thank you for a very helpful (golden) two days."
- ★ "Really appreciated the input, love and care."
- ★ "A very insightful, encouraging two days."

The Conference begins with registration at 12.30pm on Monday 15th October, followed by lunch and the first session. It concludes after the last session (on the significance and opportunities of Sunday worship) with lunch at 1.00pm on Wednesday, 17th October. A detailed timetable will be sent to everyone registering to attend. If you would like to come please complete the form (if you need to photocopy it please do so). All accommodation is en-suite. There is an "Early Bird" price for those applying before 31st August 2018.

The Conference is being jointly organised by Brierley Consultancy and CPAS. Further information is available from Peter Brierley at peter@brierleyres.com or go to www.brierleyconsultancy.com/conferences.



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Application Form

YES! I would like to come on the New Leaders in Larger Churches' Conference running from Monday lunch-time 15th October 2018 to Wednesday lunch-time 17th October 2018, at the High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire.

NAME and TITLE: (CAPITALS please) _____

CHURCH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ Postcode _____

TELEPHONE Number (in case there is a query): _____

EMAIL (in case of unforeseen circumstances): _____

Payment:

- I enclose a cheque for £249, the "Early Bird" price on or before 31/08/18
- I enclose a cheque for £269, for those booking 01/09/18 or later

Please make cheques payable to "Brierley Consultancy"

- I am sending the payment via BACS to NatWest Bank Sort Code 60-30-30, Account number 6612 7262, name of "P W Brierley"

Booking Method: Post to: Brierley Consultancy, The Old Post Office, 1 Thorpe Avenue, Tonbridge, Kent TN10 4PW or Phone: 01732 369 303 between 9.30 am and 5.00 pm

Cancellation: If after booking you are unable to attend, you may transfer your place to another eligible person at no extra cost. Cancellations received within 2 months of the Conference receive 50% refund; cancellations after that period, no refund. You may cancel your booking within 7 days of receiving confirmation at no charge.



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