

Business, professional and practical support available freely to our Clergy and Diocesan Officers

Skill finders

The Centurions are an extensive network of lay members of the diocese with a vast array of both practical and managerial skills. It is these skills that are freely available for your support. From finding a reliable plumber to assisting in undertaking a situation analysis.

Fund Raising

We can offer advice and best practise on all aspects of successful fund raising. And although we do not directly raise money for you it is sometimes possible to offer seed corn finance for Outreach Mission initiatives.

Communication and publicity

Do you really know how to effectively communicate the key messages of your initiative? We can provide professional skills to help you.

Group Facilitation

Teams are more powerful than individuals. We can provide facilitators to help unlock your team's potential. This could be by supporting clergy and PCCS to develop their "Growth Action Plans" or help transform new groups of clergy or laity into effective teams.

Project Management

It is important that a Church project engages with all essential sectors of your church and community. Projects do not happen by themselves, there are key steps along the way where we can provide expertise to help make your project successful.

Risk Management

Health and Safety is a fundamental part of our daily life. Do you need help in carrying out risk assessments for your church and community buildings?

Strategic Thinking

Some of our members have spent many years developing the strategies that underpin the growth across large corporate organisations. They are available as a resource to help clarify your Goals and develop your strategic plans for the next three years.

Business Cases

Before you venture into a new initiative we could help you analyse and understand the underlying financials. Determine whether it would be supporting or require further financial planning.

Coaching and Counselling

We can provide coaching and counselling skills in an unthreatening environment to help maximise individual clergy performance and further develop their motivation and development.

Who are we?

Established over 40 years ago as a charitable body, the Guild of Centurions provides business and professional support and guidance across the diocese.

Guild members are Christians of all ages who have a variety of business and professional experience, and who wish to volunteer these skills and work together in support of the Bishop and Church in the Peterborough Diocese.

The work of the Guild is financed by members through subscription. This pays for our infrastructure costs and provides seed corn finance to support new Outreach Mission initiatives.

The Guild maintains a skill based directory to be able to respond to needs across the Diocese.

Our efforts are underpinned by prayer.

Like to know more?

If you would like to learn more about the Centurions, or feel you would like to join the Guild, please contact us. We will be happy to provide more information, and provide an invitation to one of our events.

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The Guild of Centurions



“I am delighted to encourage the Guild of Centurions. Lay support is vital to our Outreach Mission in the Diocese”

Bishop Donald, Bishop of Peterborough