



ST
MELLITUS
COLLEGE

RESIDENTIARY CANON AT CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL & TUTOR AT ST MELLITUS COLLEGE

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

A Shared post with a common purpose

There has been a close relationship between Chelmsford Cathedral and St Mellitus College for many years. The Cathedral is the Chelmsford campus for the College on Thursdays, and in recent years joint working at many levels has seen this relationship flourish. A residentiary canon vacancy presents an ideal opportunity to deepen this relationship by creating a shared post.

The joint appointment of a Canon for Worship and Music at the Cathedral and Tutor at the College brings together complementary roles - a practitioner in leading the worshipping life of a growing and outward facing Cathedral who at the same time is teaching these or other relevant topics at the College.

Cathedral and College share core values. Both are deeply rooted in Scripture and tradition, both deeply committed to spiritual practices which sustain ministry for the long term, both marked in faith and practice by generous orthodoxy. Intellectual credibility and spiritual depth walk hand in hand as Cathedral and College aim to equip people of a wide range of theological and liturgical streams for missionary discipleship.

What we are looking for (see specific role and job descriptions for detail)

A priest in Anglican orders with wide experience who has been ordained for at least six years. A person of lively, enthusiastic faith with deep roots, characterised by generous orthodoxy in belief and practice; with a passionate vision for worship at the heart of Christian formation and nurture; and the developed ability to communicate credibly with a wide range of audiences in preaching, teaching and daily life. We are looking for organisational competence - a person who can manage two complementary but demanding portfolios effectively, who is wise in the use of their own time, as well as strong relational and inter-personal gifts.

What you can expect from us

Proper accountability through regular supervision and annual appraisal; investment in training and development; a spiritual base in the daily prayer and Sunday worship of the cathedral and in the worshipping, formational and communal life of St Mellitus College; a modern house in the centre of Chelmsford; a desk in the Cathedral office; and teams of colleagues both at the Cathedral and the College who pray, think and act collegially.

Tenure: the canonry at the Cathedral is held under Common Tenure with a Statement of Particulars (see the Chelmsford Handbook for Ecclesiastical Office Holders, and the AEC guidance for Common Tenure at Cathedrals). The SMC role is under a contract of employment. These are distinct but contractually linked posts which means that if one part comes to an end, the other will automatically end. Under Common Tenure Regulation 29(1)(g), this is a time limited post for a period of seven years, but with the possibility of renewal for further terms. There is a six-month probationary period.

Stipend: combined stipend and salary of £28,440 p.a. (equivalent rate for a residentiary Canon from April 2018)

Housing: the housing provided is a modern, well maintained four bed Canon's house in the Cathedral Close (Harlings Grove) adjacent to the Cathedral.

Applications: Applications, including the clergy application form and a brief covering letter outlining your reasons for applying for this post and what you believe you could offer Chelmsford Cathedral and St

Mellitus College must be received by Friday 9 February. Please send applications by email to ruth.collin@chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk