

ST EDMUNDSBURY & IPSWICH CURSILLO CONSTITUTION

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of Cursillo is to offer to the church a method of supporting baptised Christians in their relationship with God, in the study of their faith, and in their witness where they live and work.

Cursillo achieves this by running two or three day weekends, and by inviting people to attend structured small groups (group reunions) and larger gatherings (Ultreyas) which take place in what is known as the Fourth Day. Fourth Day activities are open to all, whether or not they have attended a Cursillo weekend.

ORGANISATION

Cursillo operates within the Diocese of St Edmundsbury & Ipswich with the permission of the Bishop. Its affairs are organised by a committee (Secretariat), consisting of:

Lay Director

Spiritual Director

Secretary

Treasurer

Pre-Cursillo Representative (Bookings Secretary)

Weekend Representative (Archangel)

Post Cursillo Representative (Fourth Day organiser)

Publications Representative

Lay Rector Designate

The Lay Director is appointed by the Bishop in close consultation with the Spiritual Director who will seek the advice of the Secretariat and others as appropriate. The Lay Director is to convene and chair all meetings of the Secretariat. It is the Lay Director's responsibility to see that each member of the Secretariat fulfils their job descriptions.

The Spiritual Director is a priest, chosen by the Bishop, and is responsible to the Bishop for every aspect of Cursillo. S/He acts as the Bishop's representative at all meetings of the Secretariat.

Those filling the other posts on the Secretariat are elected at the annual Meeting of those members of the Diocese who have made their Cursillo. All these posts shall be held of a maximum of three successive years.

TRUSTEES

There shall be a board of 4 Trustees to whom the Secretariat will remain accountable. This will be made up of the serving Lay Director & Spiritual Director for the term of their office. Alongside them, there will be 2 additional Trustees who will hold the role for a maximum of 5 years to ensure continuity and adherence to this constitution and the rules of the British Anglican Cursillo Council.