

## LOCAL LAY PASTOR

**We are seeking to appoint a full time Local Lay Pastor to support the mission and ministry of churches across the Leeds South & West Methodist Circuit. The Office of a Local Lay Pastor was launched by the Methodist Church in 2022. More information about the role is available [here](#).**

This is a new post and the person appointed will be required to:

- Provide day-to day pastoral oversight to the communities of Farsley Community Church, Headingley Methodist Church, Highfield Methodist Church and Hyde Park Methodist Mission Church as part of the Circuit Team and under the supervision of the Minister in pastoral charge.
- Be a regular presence in the churches and local communities.
- Identify and engage with activities and events which enable links between the churches and the wider local communities.

Local Lay Pastors are required to complete six modules at Cliff College from the [Foundations: Mission and Ministry pathway programme](#). Accreditation for prior learning may be available, including for those who are accredited preachers. All training will be undertaken during contracted hours or recorded as time off in lieu (TOIL) and the costs will be met by the Circuit.

The appointment requires an enhanced DBS Disclosure and an occupational requirement exists for the post-holder to be a practising Christian.

### NEXT STEPS & MAIN TERMS

<b>Hours of work:</b>	35 hours per week worked flexibly between Sunday and Saturday, in agreement with your Line Manager, which will include some evening working. This will include working three Sundays out of every four. Actual days, start and finish times will be variable in accordance with the needs of the Employer. You will not usually be expected to work on more than five days in a calendar week.
<b>Contract:</b>	Three year fixed term contract.
<b>Rate of pay:</b>	Between £16.00 and £18.00 per hour, depending upon experience and qualifications, with enrolment in the Circuit's workplace pension scheme.
<b>Location:</b>	Based at the Circuit Office, Wesley Road Chapel, Armley, Leeds, LS12 1UL and your home address.
<b>Next steps:</b>	For more information and an application pack, please contact the Circuit Administrator via <a href="mailto:admin@lswmethodists.org.uk">admin@lswmethodists.org.uk</a> or 0113 279 4816.
<b>Closing date:</b>	Wednesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 9 am
<b>Interview date:</b>	Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
<b>Start date:</b>	As soon as possible

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