

# **Programmes**

# The Church of England Professional Qualification for Headship

(including NPQH)

Financial Support and Bursary Application Form

For many Church of England schools, particularly those that are small and based in coastal and rural areas, accessing the highest quality professional development can be difficult.

For this reason, the Foundation offers two different avenues of financial support for candidates that fall within the following criteria.

# 1. Department for Education Full Scholarship Funding

#### Who can apply?

You are eligible for this funding if:

- You work in an Opportunity Area or
- You in work in a Category 5 or Category 6 school or
- You work in a MAT or diocese where other schools are in Category 5, 6, or Opportunity areas, and
- You have not previously enrolled in an NPQH programme

### How do I know if I am working in an Opportunity area or Category 5 or 6 school?

The Opportunity Areas are:

Yorkshire & Humber: Scarborough, Bradford, Doncaster

North West: Blackpool, Oldham

East Midlands: Derby

West Midlands: Stoke

East of England: Norwich, Fenland, East Cambridgeshire, Ipswich

South West: West Somerset



South East: Hastings

# Category 5 & 6 areas

Since March 2016, all Local Authority Districts have been grouped into categories from 1 to 6 based upon the progress children are making and access to high quality schools. Areas 5 and 6 are the areas in the greatest need. In these areas there is also less provision of leadership support.

Visit the Visit www.gov.uk to find out which category your district is in.

#### What does it cover?

- Full course fees (£1995 +VAT or £1650 +VAT for mixed mode)
- Does not cover any costs to school associated with taking days out of school to attend training events or take part in the 9-day placement

## How can I access this funding?

First check that you are eligible by checking that you fulfil the criteria above. If so, simply let us know this when you complete your online application form. You just need to tick the relevant box.

We will then complete an application for funding on your behalf once we have confirmed your eligibility.

# 2. Applying for a Foundation Bursary

In 2019 the Foundation provided bursaries from a number of funding sources. We are yet to confirm the details of all bursary options, however, if the following criteria apply to you please let us know using the link to the bursary enquiry form on the website. We will then be in touch with you before the summer holidays with further information.

# Who can apply?

You may be eligible for a Foundation bursary if you are **not** eligible for DFE funding and:

- Your school is small with less than 100 pupils and/or
- You identify yourself as being BAME and/or
- At your school more than 30% of children receive free school meals and/or
- You are a rural or coastal school and willing and able to contribute to our newly established rural school network during 2020



#### What does it cover?

It is likely that we will offer a range of bursaries, ranging from £500 fee contribution to the covering of full course fees and a contribution to school cover costs.

# How can I access this funding?

Participants who meet the above criteria should let us know at the same time as submitting their application using the bursary enquiry form on the website. We will then provide further information about how to apply before the summer holidays.