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Dear Colleague

Mission Development Fund

I am pleased to bring you news of the Diocesan Mission Development Fund which is now authorised By Bishop's Council to be available to Deaneries, Networks and Parishes throughout our Diocese. The accompanying brochure will give some of the Funds rationale and practicalities.

We are sending this to all clergy and PCC Secretaries for their prayerful consideration. You are most welcome to pass the form around to others within our Diocesan family or to request more brochures. In the first instance an application form is available from my office, as are any informal enquiries prior to the formal application.

Consideration will be given to all bids as we receive them. We have time-tabled June and December as deadlines to ensure that all the funds are not released on a first come, first served basis. The intention is to give you time to make an application (for the December date), but you are encouraged to let us know of your thinking at an early stage so that we can be aware of your plans. Our hope and prayer is that this new way of working, to release Diocesan funds to support genuine mission activity, will produce a lasting and fruitful impact across our Churches and neighbourhoods.

With my prayerful good wishes,

Mark Brown
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The Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham MISSION DEVELOPMENT FUND
APPLICATION FORM

NOTE A

This Form will be duplicated, therefore please use BLACK INK if you are submitting a Hard Copy.

NOTE B

Please give any extra information on a separate sheet of paper using the headings provided below.
For electronic submissions use this form and create your own space within the document.

1. FULL DETAILS OF APPLICANT

Name:

Address:

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Phone: **Email:**

2. TITLE OR DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT:

3. AMOUNT YOU ARE REQUESTING:

4. Match-Funding: What is the total cost of your Project?

Please give an indication of how you intend to supplement a grant from the Mission Fund from other sources.

5. DESCRIBE THE INTENTION, PURPOSE and NATURE OF THE PARTICULAR PROJECT
(See Note B above)

6. Read the Publicity document and set out the answers from the questions that are being asked under "How does my parish or group apply to this fund?"

- a) How have you discerned God?
- b) How does this project value people?
- c) How will this project enable change?
- d) How will this project serve community?
- e) Summarise who will benefit and when do you expect it to start?
- f) Describe who else is involved ?
- g) Show how your Deanery has been consulted?

7. PLEASE GIVE DETAILS OF WHAT THE MONEY WILL BE USED FOR AND IT'S TIME-FRAME.

8. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT :

9. APPROVED BY :

i) Incumbent and/or Churchwarden (Signature)

ii) Area Dean (Signature)

iii) Diocesan Chief Executive (Signature)

Note: i) and ii) Both need to be signed if parochially based
iii) Needs to be signed if you are non-parochial setting or Diocesan department

10. Please return the completed Form to: i) The Canon Missioners' Office, Dunham House, 8 Westgate, Southwell, Nottinghamshire. NG25 0JL

11. What will happen next ?

Your application will be considered by a group who meet regularly. We will keep you informed of any progress and outcomes.