**DISCOVERY STUDENT GAP YEAR**

**PLACEMENT APPLICATION FORM FOR 2015-16**

One of the key elements of Discovery Gap Year is the care taken by the Diocese to match potential workers with a suitable placement. It is crucial to the process that we are aware of the parish situation and potential areas of ministry so your views would be helpful. Please just give initial responses.

Please complete all sections of the form, preferably online, print, sign and return it to the address listed at the end. With only a limited number of workers each year, it may be that the information contained here alters slightly over time. Please don’t feel you need to write a great deal in each box – just enough to give an overview.

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| **Contact Details** |
| Your Name |  |
| Name of Parish |  |
| Contact Address |  |
| Phone |  | Email |  |
| Website |  |

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| **Placement Ministry Information – Your Church** |
| Information regarding gathered worship (Sunday and weekly) with approximate numbers attending |
| Information on work with children/young people (e.g. Sunday School/Junior Church/Holiday Clubs/Youth) |
| Information on links with uniformed groups and local youth groups: |
| Information on discipleship courses for all ages (e.g. Bible study groups/alpha/Emmaus/cell groups): |

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| Information on range of music and creative ministries (e.g. Choir/music groups/flowers/dance/drama etc) |
| Information on work in schools and colleges (Primary and Secondary – assemblies – Christian Unions – local FE college chaplaincy) |
| Information on links with community (e.g. parent and toddler groups, liaison with agencies/council contact) |
| Information on work with the elderly/infirm (e.g. hospital visits/nursing homes/home communion) |
| Specific community activities or projects (e.g. drop in centres/colleges) |
| Information on parish administration and organisation (e.g. who is involved and what is done) |

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| **Placement Ministry Information – Supporting a Worker** |
| The role of the placement is to provide opportunities for the Discovery worker to explore and develop their gifts and abilities to serve God. Please briefly summarise what you feel your parish has to offer a worker? |
| How do you hope to benefit from the placement? (in the following areas) |
| Personally? |
| As a Staff Team? |
| As a parish? |
| What range of traditions would the parish be able to accommodate in a worker? (e.g. would you be willing to take a participant from a different tradition/style/background and they be accepted and welcomed?) |
| In what ways may the parish be able to help the worker specifically develop?* Group Work skills
* Life Skills
* Personal reflection
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| **Placement Ministry Information – Process** |
| Has the potential placement been discussed with the PCC?NO  YES  Date of meeting when discussed  |
| **We wish to apply for our parish/project to be a placement.** |
| Signature |  | Date |  |
| Please return the form to:Ben MizenDiscovery Gap YearDiocese of Portsmouth1st Floor Peninsular HouseWharf RoadPortsmouthPO2 8HB | Should you have any questions, you can contact me on:Tel: 02392 899652Email: ben.mizen@portsmouth.anglican.org |