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HIGHER EDUCATION CHAPLAINCY ANNUAL REPORT 2016/2017

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INITIAL SUMMARY PARAGRAPH

- In this diocese 11 Chaplains relate to over 100,000 students, mostly within the 18-25 age group.
- Our HE Chaplains impact the life of their universities by
 - being a faithful witness
 - building the Christian life on campus and links to local church
 - responding to tragic death
 - building a sense of community across the university
 - engaging in public action for justice
 - supporting good mental health on campus
 - engaging in academic life
 - helping to resolve tensions on campus
 - being available for conversation
 - giving pastoral support to both staff and students
 - encouraging good inter-faith relationships
 - supporting the university more generally e.g. conducting medical funerals
 - advising on religious affairs

This report explains who and where chaplains are and gives examples of their impact in the last academic year.

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I. INTRODUCTION

I.1 Our oldest universities have a Church Foundation. Universities were a product of the Christian desire for pursuit of truth – the learning to live well in response to God and each other. In a world being increasingly shaped by forces such as President Trump, Brexit and notions of post-truth, how is the church continuing to have something relevant to offer to Higher Education? One way is through developing responsive and relevant chaplaincies and this report gives a snapshot of some of the ways in which chaplains have been working within universities in the Diocese of Southwark during the academic year 2016/17.

I.2 This is a time of great change for universities out of which come both opportunities and challenge for the church. There are three significant changes to be aware of in our thinking about higher education in this diocese. Firstly, legislative. Last year saw the government's higher education White Paper *Success as a Knowledge Economy* published and this year has seen the *Higher Education and Research Act 2017* passed. This confirms that marketisation of the HE sector is the trajectory for the foreseeable future. The relationship between university and student is now for the first time a contractual one, with terms and conditions. The message to universities is that their chief responsibility is to be the drivers of economic progress. The big money is going to STEM Universities rather than the Arts-based ones which is a big challenge for institutions such as Goldsmiths. Widening participation is a positive aspect to this plan but Higher Education is increasingly framed as the key to economic prosperity and personal skills development. Secondly, the higher education market place is also widening as higher education courses are increasingly being delivered by further education colleges and other providers. Thirdly, there has been huge growth in the number of students living in the diocese due to both an increased number of providers, widening participation and new blocks of private student flats. Student accommodation is a growing market particularly obvious in the north of the diocese and in the Nine Elms redevelopment.

I.3 There are a number of ways in which this Diocese is supporting Higher Education:

- Chaplaincies, which are the focus of this report;
- Churches developing a student focused ministry;
- Individual relationships e.g. at Roehampton University Bishop Richard is Professorial Fellow and a member of the research group on Ministerial Theology while Revd Gordon Jeanes sits on the Ethics Committee. Bishop Karowei has been invited to participate at an Awards Ceremony for Greenwich University and has already visited the Warden at Goldsmiths.

I.4 Chaplaincies

Chaplains in universities across the Diocese relate to over 100,000 students, mostly within the 18-25 age group. In the Southwark Diocese there are two universities with an Anglican Foundation, three post-1992 universities, plus Goldsmiths and three of the University of the Arts colleges. It is a diverse group with a diverse range of students.

I.5 Chaplains are embedded in the daily life of HE Institutions. They may be answerable to the Dean of College or set up within a student services role, or, the adviser on religious affairs but they also exist within a much broader vision of HE chaplaincy. HE Chaplains are continually seeking ways to engage their university community with the Christian tradition; a place of knowledge engaging with a source of wisdom.

I.6 In Section 2 there is a table showing who, and where, our Diocesan HE Chaplains are. Section 4 gives examples and evidence showing how the HE Chaplains are developing their ministry of witness and what, in practice, the outworking of Christian wisdom looks like. In Section 4 is the wide range of different university setting in the diocese including what their aspirations are.

1.7 Church with a student-focused ministry

A few churches in the diocese are responding to the growing numbers of students based in South London and thinking about ways of supporting students and being welcoming to students. St George the Martyr, Borough is intentionally developing a student focus, making St George's a hub for student ministry. Students are starting to come to Morning Prayer and Bible Studies and a monthly student group has been started. In addition, the Church has chaplaincy links with both LSBU and KCL: it is the base for the chaplaincy at LSBU and for the chaplain at KCL Guy's Campus who is also an Associate Priest at St George's. Churches in Deptford Deanery are also working on the development of a more intentional student ministry.

2. WHO AND WHERE ARE THE SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN HE CHAPLAINS?

Kingston Episcopal Area



1. Kings College London: St Thomas's Hospital

Revd Keith Riglin

Part-time

Funded by KCL

Parish of North Lambeth, Lambeth North Deanery, Archdeacon Simon Gates

2. Kings College London: Waterloo Campus



Revd Jane Speck

Full time Chaplain

Funding is 50% Diocese of Southwark 50% KCL

Parish of Waterloo: St John w St Andrew, Lambeth North Deanery, Archdeacon Simon Gates



3. Kingston University

Revd Andrew Williams (Until September 17)

A unique role as fulltime Faith Adviser employed by university on salary and additionally is non-stipendiary Anglican Chaplain

Funded by Kingston University

Kingston Team Ministry, licensed to All Saints Kingston as Associate Minister, Kingston Deanery, Archdeacon John Kiddle

4. University of Roehampton



Revd Daniel Eshun

Fulltime

Funded by Whitelands College Foundation

Parish of Roehampton, Holy Trinity (Associate Minister), Wandsworth Deanery, Archdeacon John Kiddle

Woolwich Episcopal Area

5. Goldsmiths, University of London vacancy

Parish of Hatcham, St James, Deptford Deanery, Archdeacon Alastair Cutting

6. Kings College London: Denmark Hill Campus



Revd Jane Speck

Fulltime chaplain, also based at Waterloo Campus

50% Diocese of Southwark plus housing, 50% KCL

Parish of Camberwell St Giles w St Matthew, Camberwell Deanery, Archdeacon Jane Steen

7. King's College London: Guy's Campus



Revd James (Jim) Craig

Fulltime, started August 16

Funded by Diocese, St George-the-Martyr and KCL

St George the Martyr, Southwark & Newington Deanery, Archdeacon Jane Steen

8. University of Greenwich: Maritime Campus



Revd Pat Mann

Ft chaplain to Old Royal Naval Chapel and chaplain to Greenwich University & Trinity-Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance as institutions occupying the site of the Greenwich Foundation.

Funded by Greenwich Foundation

Old Royal Naval College Chapel, Parish of Greenwich St Alphege, Charlton Deanery, Archdeacon Alastair Cutting

9. University of Greenwich: Avery Hill Campus



Revd Steve Cook

Part time (combined with Parish priest at St Barnabas, Eltham)

Funded by Diocese

Parish of Eltham, Holy Trinity, Eltham & Mottingham Deanery, Archdeacon Alastair Cutting

10. London South Bank University



Revd Jonathan Sedgwick

Jonathan is Priest-in-charge at St George the Martyr, Borough where he is developing a student focused ministry. He is chaplain to LSBU.

Funded by Diocese

Parishes of St George the Martyr and St Matthews @Elephant, Southwark & Newington Deanery, Archdeacon Jane Steen

3. AN OVERVIEW OF THE MINISTRY OF DIOCESAN HE CHAPLAINS IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016/2017

The headings to illustrate the work of the chaplains are:

- Being a Faithful Witness;
- Liturgy & Christian Life;
- Supporting universities at times of death;
- Community Building; Pastoral Care;
- Religious Affairs; Student Wellbeing;
- HE Chaplains and Academic Life;
- HE Chaplains and public action for justice;
- HE Chaplains and the wider church.

3.1 Being a Faithful Witness

'What does faithful witness to the gospel mean in this place?' is a question addressed by each one of our university chaplains. The contexts are varied, ranging from those with ancient Anglican foundations to newer universities with a secular foundation and the answers are equally varied. Daniel Eshun at Roehampton University, where he is based at the Anglican foundation Whitelands College says, *'We have a mandate from both the governors and the diocese to make a Christian presence known and felt through our pastoral care provision and our interactions with other faiths. We are an Anglican College and our worship is unmistakably Anglican. Our mission is to make Anglican presence felt but also to be a place that allows people from other faiths to be. Muslim students say 'when we see you in the dog collar we know that religion is welcome here'.* Jonathan Sedgwick, chaplain to LSBU says, *'We are here for human flourishing and to remind the university what education is all about. Sharing my faith is a part of human flourishing'.*

3.2 Jonathan Sedgwick, chaplain at LSBU is engaged with finding a form of chaplaincy that works in a secular environment. Since acquiring a dedicated and fairly prominent space for meeting and prayer he and his curate celebrate a weekly lunchtime Eucharist. He says, *'We leave the door open, sometimes people see us and come in to take part.'*

3.3 One form of witness is to contribute to the wider life of the institution to which they are chaplain. At King's College London, Jane Speck sits on three different College committees: Bullying & Harassment Committee, Space Committee and the Ethics Committee. Jane also acts as a personal tutor in the Medical School and in Pharmacy.

3.4 At King's College London, the Anglican Foundation means that chaplaincy is embedded in the university – however, they still have to find imaginative ways of reaching and engaging students and to fulfil their mission of, *'working with God to serve the whole college community'*. The chaplaincy website now makes available to any student a weekly podcast from a member of the chaplaincy team giving a *'Thought for the Day'*. All the chaplains have a chance during the year to broadcast their thought. Jane Speck used her slot to explain why she was going to the two-minute silence on Remembrance Day and challenged students to think about the kind of peace they wanted to live in – it's worth a listen and they can all be found at <https://soundcloud.com/kclchaplaincy>. Sermons from the weekly Eucharist are also uploaded to the chaplaincy website and are accessible to all.

3.5 HE Chaplains are engaged in identifying and supporting vocations to ministry. King's College London have a vocations group which meets 2/3 times termly. This year Jane has supported someone through the process. They have been selected, following Bishops Advisory Panel, and will be starting at theological college in September. In other universities this happens less formally: Both Andrew

Williams and Pat Mann have supported individuals at their universities who have come to discuss a sense of calling to ministry.

3.6 Andrew Williams at Kingston, which has many professional courses, is particularly interested in supporting a wider discipleship; helping students learn to listen to what it is they are called to - whether that is ordained ministry, a professional role or a voluntary role. Andrew has noticed that when redundancies and re-structuring are having a big impact on his institution it is staff who seek advice on discerning what it is they are really called to. This year Andrew has had explorations of the religious life from a post-graduate student who he is helping to discern direction.

3.7 At Roehampton the Head of Employability has been working with Daniel Eshun to explore ethics and sense of vocation as part of employability training in the university.

3.8 Liturgy and Christian community life

HE Chaplains are engaged in the offering of liturgy and the life of a Christian community.

3.9 The two Anglican foundation institutions of King's College London and Whitelands College within Roehampton University both have beautiful purpose-built chapels and prayer spaces. A regular cycle of prayer takes place and Eucharist is celebrated at least weekly on each campus.

3.10 At the other end of the spectrum is the Avery Hill campus of Greenwich University where Revd Steve Cook holds regular Monday lunchtime prayer in a shared prayer space. Similarly at Kingston University Andrew Williams holds a Welcome Eucharist in the Quiet room at the beginning of each year, then a Memorial Service on All Souls' Day for staff and students who passed away in the previous year. Eucharist services are held at Advent, Epiphany and Passiontide, and the service on Ash Wednesday incorporates Ashing.

3.11 Supporting universities at times of death

While supporting the Christian community, HE Chaplains are also there for the whole university. This means that when a tragic death occurs the chaplain is there to help the university respond. Most chaplains will be called on in this capacity every academic year – for some this is a strong university link, for others it is more haphazard. This year the Goldsmiths community had both staff and student tragic deaths. Following this a senior member of staff said that the chaplain Adele Rees offered '*a vital, vital kind of support at times of bereavement and when we had a student suicide*'. The value of a chaplain is seen '*particularly in moments of crises*'.

Jane Speck has a very special ministry at King's College London where she conducts medical funerals. These are for people who have donated their bodies to medical science and when the medical school has finished with the bodies they are released for a funeral. Families are now starting to want to attend these funerals.

The chaplain at Guy's Campus of KCL, Jim Craig, led prayers and a silence at a special vigil organised by the Students Union for all those affected by the London Bridge terror attack. One of the prayers included in the vigil was that of the Dean of Southwark, the Very Revd Andrew Nunn, written after his own experience of the attack. We heard how a group of dental students had been caught up in the attack as they were taking a break from revising in the library. Every one of those students turned up for their exams the following Monday despite their trauma but support was needed and the vigil was a valuable moment of coming together.

3.12 Community Building

Marking key events in university life, such as graduation ceremonies, are an important aspect of work for HE Chaplains. Carol Services too are a key events in the annual calendar for most chaplains. Each year the Carol Service at Greenwich Old Royal Naval Chapel with the Choral Scholars Choir attracts a bigger crowd. This year the chapel was filled to capacity and many were turned away. Likewise Remembrance Day was marked at King's College London Guy's Campus with an outdoor ceremony

at the Memorial Arch, including music from the Guy's Choir, the Last Post, a two-minute silence and the laying of wreaths.

3.13 The Kingston University Carol Service has also grown in popularity and had more than 100 people attending. The service featured the Kingston University Choir and a guest preacher from a nearby Catholic Church. Whitelands is another college with a popular carol service – the chaplain Daniel Eshun also holds Morning Prayer every weekday morning in term time.

3.14 King's College London chaplains mark the beginning of each academic year with two Opening of Year Services and they continue to mark moments throughout the academic year. It is a regular fixture for chaplains to take a group of students on retreat to Iona every June as well as a shorter October retreat in Cumberland Lodge, Great Windsor Park.

3.15 Other community-building events take place on a weekly basis throughout term time. Examples of this are regular free lunches such as the drop-in café on Thursdays at Greenwich University or Mondays at KCL Guy's, or the 'Crafternoon' every Thursday afternoon at Goldsmiths which provides a regular chance to chat as well as make something, or just 'Tea and Talk' in the Snug on Wednesdays. Adele was well known for her gifts of Freetrade chocolate during Freshers' Week and dishing out fudge and prayers during exam times. Just before she left, a yurt arrived as the new chaplaincy space for Goldsmiths which will be erected in the summer vacation.

3.16 Pastoral Care

HE Chaplains are a bodily expression of Christ's love through the pastoral care they engage in on a one-to-one basis with both students and staff. Our Diocesan HE Chaplains offer pastoral care to students and staff of all faiths or none to a greater or lesser extent. Steve Cook at Avery Hill Campus, Greenwich University has noticed a rise in numbers of students with Mental Health problems. He works closely with lead staff who can call him if a student is in crisis at Avery Hill. Steve has also seen a rise in the number of students approaching him who are coming to the end of their course, looking for support in how to find a direction for the future, a kind of vocational discernment.

3.17 Jonathan Sedgwick is clear that pastoral care is one of his priorities. 'We offer broadly three things: volunteering opportunities in the community, pastoral support and engagement with the big issues/ building up faith.' Letting students know that you are available is always an issue especially at universities such as LSBU where it is difficult to establish a profile in the university. Jonathan is now involved in the induction process of Freshers and is able to explain his role to all new students.

3.18 Religious Affairs

Chaplains, more and more, are seen as experts on religion. In particular, the more plural secular universities often recognise a need for advice on religious affairs. This is sometimes made explicit in titles like 'faith adviser' as at Kingston University.

3.19 Andrew Williams supports events exploring faith on campus. This year three big events were held; Christian, Jewish, Muslim perspectives on Prayer, another on prophecy and an event exploring Mary with input from both Christian and Muslim students.

3.20 The Faith & Spirituality Centre at Penrhyn Road is a good indication of the University's support of Andrew's role. A new, small multi-faith space for prayer and reflection in the Hawker Building at the Roehampton Vale campus has been opened this academic year. Further evidence of University buy-in are the new Faith Connectors. From September a team of three students from different faith backgrounds were paid to spend approximately 5 hours a week supporting Andrew and managing the Faith Space.

3.21 All Diocesan university chaplains are operating in multi faith contexts, working out daily what it means to be there for 'all faiths and none' alongside their commitment to a distinctive Christian perspective. Rising tensions on campus mean that chaplains are often called on to deal with these situations. Goldsmiths staff have reported how much they appreciated the chaplain's skill at diffusing these tensions. All chaplains had a chance to meet with the Director of the Jewish Students Union to discuss issues particularly affecting Jewish students.

3.22 Student Wellbeing, Development and Mental Health

As many universities, particularly newer ones, are embracing a new concept of Student Wellbeing in preference to a range of separate Student Services some of our HE chaplains are being seen as members of the new Wellbeing teams. A shared vocabulary is being discovered and the role seems to open up new ways of encountering chaplaincy in the university. At Goldsmiths the new approach was described as focusing more on *'things which nourish and nurture and are pro-active'* and that chaplaincy is seen as very much linked to this more holistic approach. Kingston has also found that since the Faith Adviser/Anglican Chaplain has become a part of the Wellbeing Service *'Faith now has a much more prominent role in the university'*.

Stephen Heap says that chaplaincy needs to be a place which encourages growth into adulthood; a spiritual guide not an infallible authority, a place of dissonance and support'. Jonathan Sedgwick finds this approach helpful at LSBU but it requires great care, *'When to be confirmatory, when to introduce wisdom requires wisdom'*.

There has been a steep rise in the numbers of people arriving at university in distress and a narrative of crisis around campus suicide levels. This is leading universities into serious discussion around the question of what is happening to young people. It is also leading many universities to a new appreciation of chaplaincy. This appreciation is both in terms of witnessing how chaplains are able to skilfully and sensitively respond to a tragic death on campus in a way that others are just not able but also in a new appreciation of how a chaplain's presence contributes valuably to the promotion of good mental health among the whole college community. This year I have heard a number of comments such as, *'no-one else is as flexible as a chaplain in being around for anyone to grab in the corridor and ask for a chat'*.

3.23 HE Chaplains and public action for justice

Being engaged in, and encouraging university community to engage in, public action for justice is another manifestation of the outworking of Christian wisdom in the day to day life of an HE Chaplain.

3.24 At Kingston University Andrew Williams supported the civic commemoration of Holocaust Memorial Day and ran a lunchtime reflection and discussion event on the subject of genocide. He worked collaboratively with a number of student societies to put the HMD event including the History Society, LGBTI Society and the Somali & Afghan Society.

3.25 King's College London Chaplaincy Team led a campaign to donate clothes for the homeless with drop-off bins in all the chaplaincy rooms. The clothing was donated to the Manna Centre at London Bridge.

3.26 HE Chaplains and Academic Life

As a way to connect with the business of the university most HE chaplains find a way to be related to its education and knowledge; Andrew Williams who is engaged on a PhD programme thinks Chaplains do help to remind the university of what education is at the heart of education, *'Chaplaincy can make a contribution to the broader understanding of education, pointing to a hinterland beyond'*. This year for the first time Andrew organised a 'Faith' strand in the new Student Union Leadership Programme. Andrew also taught the RE element on both BA and PGCE courses in primary education and the Religion component on the British Life and Culture module offered to International students.

3.27 At King's College London all the chaplains are involved in supporting the AKC or Associateship of King's College. This is the original qualification of King's College London and goes back to the 1829

Royal Charter which states that the purposes of King's College are to maintain the connection between 'sound religion and useful learning' and to teach the 'doctrines and duties of Christianity'. Today it's a three year course in Theological, Philosophical and Ethical Studies which is offered to all students – and had over 1700 enrolments. Other chaplains have been investigating whether an appropriate General Certificate chaplaincy-led course could work in their setting.

3.28 At Whitelands the model is a chaplaincy embedded in the academic life of the university, so Daniel Eshun teaches modules in Ethics, Pauline Theology and World Christianity on both FdA and Graduate Diploma in Ministerial Theology. He is also collaborating with the Psychology Department.

3.29 HE Chaplains and the wider church

The connection to the wider church is important to many HE Chaplains. Daniel Eshun says, '*We have a programme called 'Open Anglicanism' where we invite people from parish and deanery to come to Whitelands for reflection on papers and discussion. This brings mutual enrichment. Our Chaplaincy relationship to the wider Diocese and parish is important to us at Whitelands.*'

3.30 Steve Cook is also building the connections between university and his church. He has built good relations with Chinese students and some have now visited his church out of curiosity – never having been in a church before. Steve has also taken a student from Roehampton Ministerial Theology course on a placement. Steve hopes in the future to host a St Mellitus student placement at his Church who will spend time in College seeing the work of a chaplain.

3.31 HE chaplains contribute in a variety of ways to the wider Church. Examples are Jane Speck who has an additional role as vocations adviser in the diocese.

3.32 As understanding grows that engaging with students is an important area for church involvement, which cannot be left entirely to chaplains, opportunities are likely to emerge for closer collaboration. It would be good to see Chaplains starting to be more connected to deanery synods, being prayed for by their local churches and exploring possible ways of working together.

4 UNIVERSITIES IN THE DIOCESE

4.1 King's College London is the oldest of the universities in this diocese. It was founded in 1829 and became a founding college of the University of London in 1836. Today, King's College London is part of the Russell Group, an organisation representing 24 leading UK Universities. Although the administrative centre in the Strand is in the Diocese of London, there are four campuses in the Diocese of Southwark. There are chaplains on each campus as well as chaplaincy assistants. Chaplaincy has a high profile at KCL due to the Anglican foundation. Today KCL states they are 'dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, learning and understanding in the service of society'.

4.2 University of Roehampton – has an ethos drawing on the traditions and values of its four older constituent colleges (Church of England, Roman Catholic, Methodist and secular/humanist). The Anglican Chaplain is based at Whitelands College. Whitelands was founded by the Church of England in 1841. It was a teacher training college for female teachers in the new Church of England schools; one of the earliest institutions to provide education for women and one which by the 20th century was regarded as a leading UK teacher training establishment. The University of Roehampton has a mission statement that indicates their commitment to 'helping our students ... be responsible citizens and leaders'. They also demonstrate commitment to the common good by saying, 'we are focused on creating new knowledge and ideas that help us understand our world and make it a better place'.

4.3 Other chaplains are in much less traditional settings, often with a more fragile status. Post-1992 Universities describes the institutions given university status by John Major's government in 1992. Among these Kingston, Greenwich and London South Bank University are all examples of former polytechnics that are now universities and have some form of chaplaincy.

4.4 Kingston University states that 'Our mission is to promote participation in higher education' and they wish to benefit staff, students and the local community. Greenwich University has a mission that focuses on, 'expanding opportunities ...providing programmes with an emphasis on employability ... the application of enterprise and research to defined needs'. LSBU states, 'Our mission is to be recognised as an enterprising civic university that addresses real world challenges'.

4.5 Goldsmiths, in New Cross, was founded in 1891 by the worshipful Company of Goldsmiths it was once the largest teacher training institution in the country. During the 1960s it rapidly expanded and gained a reputation in the arts and social sciences, and in 1988 became a full College of the University of London. Goldsmiths and the diocese have been exploring the possibility of establishing a full-time chaplain at Goldsmiths with the college starting to make a significant contribution to the cost. Goldsmiths have a mission to 'offer a transformative experience, generating knowledge and stimulating self-discovery through creative, radical and intellectually rigorous thinking and practice'.

5 ADDITIONAL UNIVERSITY BASED HE PROVISION IN THE DIOCESE

5.1 University of the Arts London (UAL) is based in London diocese but has three of its colleges in Southwark diocese: London College of Communication, Camberwell College of Arts and Wimbledon College of Arts. There are two chaplains for these three colleges, both licensed to London Diocese with PTO in this Diocese. Revd Mark Dean supports Camberwell and Wimbledon while Revd William Whitcomb supports LCC.

- (i) London College of Communication, SE1 6SB
Parish of St Matthew's at the Elephant, Southwark & Newington Deanery.
- (ii) Camberwell College of Arts, Peckham Rd, London SE5 8UF
Parish of St Giles Camberwell, Camberwell Deanery
- (iii) Wimbledon College of Arts, Merton Hall Rd, London SW19 3QA
Parish of St Andrew, Wimbledon, Merton Deanery.

5.2 There are also a growing number of **Universities based outside London** but developing a campus in London aimed primarily at International students. In our Diocese these include: University of the West of Scotland, University of Wales Trinity St David, Glyndwr University. No chaplaincy provision is offered at these campuses.

- (i) University of the West of Scotland (UWS)
- (ii) London Campus, 235 Southwark Bridge Rd, London SE1 6NP
Parish of St Matthew's at the Elephant, Southwark & Newington Deanery.
- (iv) University of Wales Trinity Saint David (USWTSD) London Campus, Winchester House, 11 Cranmer Road, London SW9 6EJ
Parish of St Mark, Kennington, Lambeth North Deanery.
- (vi) Glyndwr University London, 1st Floor Anstee House, Wood Street Kingston-upon-Thames Surrey KT1 ITS
- (vii) *All Saints (Kingston Parish Church), Kingston upon Thames, Kingston Deanery*

5.3 All the FE Colleges in the Diocese are also Higher Education providers but at this point in time only Croydon College has any formal chaplaincy provision. Croydon College is the largest HE provider which it manages through the **University Centre Croydon**. Currently there are around 1,000 HE students studying here.

- (i) University Centre Croydon College Rd, Croydon, London CR9 1DX
Parish of Croydon Minster, Croydon Central Deanery

6. AFTERWORD FROM ANDREW WILLIAMS, CHAIR OF THE JOINT FE & HE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

6.1 This annual report once again acts as a reminder of the crucial role played by our chaplains and their teams within the higher education institutions in the Diocese of Southwark. We have a wide variety of arrangements for chaplaincy amongst the universities in South London and a range of models for supporting the place of faith and belief amongst the students and staff that chaplains serve. Yet in each centre of learning it is evident that chaplains exercise their vocation with sensitivity, creativity and faithfulness. A number of themes stand out: the increasing focus on mental health and student wellbeing; the participation of chaplains in initiatives that seek to advance social justice; and the strengthening of ties between chaplains and local churches, community groups and other faith groups. These are all encouraging developments and testify to the vital contribution that higher education chaplaincy makes to the ministry and mission of the church within the diocese.

Siriol Davies
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