



Keeping you connected

Newsletter

6 June 2025

From the Executive Director

A message from Anna Pitt

Dear colleagues and friends,

Sunday is the end of National Volunteer Week and that is when we will announce the winners of our first national cathedral volunteer awards, the Newgate® Cathedral Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Read about all the wonderful finalists [here](#).

It's been a truly difficult task to choose the winners from the volunteers nominated by our cathedrals for this year's awards, a partnership project with Newgate Finance designed to celebrate and say thank you to all our cathedral volunteers who give so much of their time and their talents at our cathedrals.

The winners and runners up will be on all of our [social channels](#) and website, Sunday 8 June.

Congratulations to everyone nominated.

Warm wishes,

Anna Pitt

Interim Executive Director, Association of English Cathedrals

News from Our Project Boards

This Week's Highlights

Cathedrals Cycle Relay Please do keep an eye out for cyclists taking part in this the third national Cathedrals Cycle Relay, passing on the baton from cathedral to cathedral, and make sure your comms team know so they can share the story too. The relay returns to Bradford on the afternoon of Saturday 5th July 2025.

Vacancies and Appointments

Historian and broadcaster Tom Holland has been named the first Canon Historian at Salisbury Cathedral. He was one of four lay canons installed into the College of Canons during Evensong service earlier this week.

<https://www.salisburyjournal.co.uk/news/cathedralnews/25210585.holland-named-first-canon-historian-salisbury-cathedral/>

St Eds too has got a new Canon Precentor. The Reverend Canon Katy Cunliffe was installed last Sunday. She joins the team from the diocese of Manchester.

<https://stedscathedral.org/st-edmundsbury-cathedral-installs-new-canon-precentor/>

Norwich Cathedral is looking for a Canon Pastor and a part time Finance Officer. See all vacancies here: <https://cathedral.org.uk/vacancies/>

Don't forget, all the job descriptions you share with us are uploaded to the CAFA website and can be accessed here: <https://cathedralcafa.org/request-login/>

Training & Conference Opportunities

Upcoming events and learning opportunities:

- We look forward to seeing you at the **AEC AGM on 17th June in London**. More information to follow, together with information on proxy voting arrangements.
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Don't Forget...

- The CAFA website is an excellent portal for the storage of bespoke and template policies, job descriptions and plans. Any number of colleagues from your cathedral can register for free: <https://cathedralcafa.org/request-login/>

Stay Connected

Have news to share in next week's edition? Let us know by Wednesday at midday.

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