



### **How we got here:**

We are passionate about our Community and grieve at the injustice of so many of our young people being trapped in a cycle of debilitating mental health issues.

We want all our young people to have the freedom to be who they are meant to be, to flourish without burden and to understand just how incredible, how amazing, how brilliant they are. Just as they are.

### **What we are looking for?**

We are looking for someone to **create and build connections in our community** with Schools (Secondary and Primary) and other institutions working with young people.

We are looking for someone who will also work within our Church Community, assisting and on occasions leading our church-based Children and Young people initiatives (Holiday Clubs / Breakfast Clubs / Homework Clubs).

In the wider community the successful candidate will discover what each school's specific mental health coverage looks like and determine the areas in which they may need support. The support would be specifically focusing on equipping children and young people with a good understanding of their own emotions and providing tools to develop resilience when their mental health is tested.

Once needs have been established they would deliver credible, evidence based and approved workshops / clubs to classes and groups of young people specifically designed to increase wellbeing, resilience and fundamentally mental health self care.

To help young people in the self-management of presenting difficulties or difficulties that may present themselves in the future.

We need a **great communicator** who has worked with young people of a variety of ages and learning styles.

We need a **listener and a champion of young people** passionate about sharing wisdom and strategies to support them in understanding their own mental health.

We need a **bridge builder** with a background in building trusting relationships with schools or youth groups and most importantly young people.

What you will need to be or demonstrate:

- A practising Christian with a heart for God, and a desire to grow in faith.
- A passion for the youth and young people and a heart to see the youth grow and see and understand God's Love.
- Empathy and emotional intelligence.
- Experience in making connections and building working relationships with a variety of stakeholders on the Education / Youth / Mental Health sector.
- Experience and working knowledge of delivering mental health and wellbeing guidance to young people.
- A background in working with young people delivering proactive wellbeing activities for young people.
- An ability to make and keep safe and caring relationships with young people, some who may have challenging and complex behaviours.
- Recognised professional qualification that would be credible in a school environment. (Teacher / Counsellor / Youth Worker / Minister)

## Working Environment

You would be based at The Shore Community Church working on Church based projects (Summer Holiday Club) and also in partnership with the local schools (secondary and primary) and possibly other organisations outside traditional education that have a need we can support.

This post is subject to an enhanced DBS check. There is an occupational requirement for the role holder to be a Christian in accordance with the Equality Act 2010, Schedule 9, Part 1 S.3

### **Additional Details**

It is possible that this role could be undertaken as part of a job share for the right person.

We do have accommodation available that could be organised for a candidate looking to relocate.

### **Application details**

Application email address: [alister.williams@theshorecommunity.church](mailto:alister.williams@theshorecommunity.church)

Please send your CV and a covering email detailing (limited to 2 pages) why you are drawn to this role and how you would approach your first 6 months in post.