

Application Pack

Minibus Driver

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About Lincoln Cathedral

Lincoln Cathedral has been a striking presence above the city for more than 950 years. It is, first and foremost, a working church and hosts a minimum of three services every day of the year, at least one of which is usually sung by our world-renowned choir. It is the seat of the Bishop of Lincoln and the mother church of the diocese, and each year it hosts many county-wide services of celebration, commemoration and memorial.

It is a place of pilgrimage, where people come to seek God, to learn more about faith, or to take time out of a busy day for quiet reflection. It is a place of welcome and hospitality where all, of any faith or no faith are encouraged to feel at home.

Lincoln Cathedral is also a world-class heritage visitor attraction, and hundreds of thousands of people visit annually to learn about the rich history of the building and the fascinating stories of the people that have brought it to life over the centuries. Our volunteer guides provide floor, roof, tower and other specialist tours throughout the year and the building plays host to a wide range of exhibitions, events and concerts.

The site also includes an award-winning visitor centre, featuring an exhibition gallery and discovery centre where visitors of all ages can delve deeper into the history of the Cathedral, a bright airy café, and the Cathedral shop. A purpose-built learning centre offers outstanding facilities for school visits and family activities, and a suite of community meeting rooms is available for organisations and individuals to hire.

Lincoln Cathedral is a centre of excellence for heritage skills and craft, with its own on-site works department comprised of stonemasons, glaziers, lead workers and joiners, all dedicated to the maintenance, restoration and repair of this internationally significant building.

An exceptional team of skilled staff and volunteers ensure that all who visit receive a warm welcome and an excellent experience, and work towards ensuring a sustainable future so that future generations can continue to enjoy the sacred space of Lincoln Cathedral.

Our Mission

The diocesan mission statement is to be faithful and confident. As we support the bishop in mission, we will build on this as we seek, joyfully to proclaim the love of God in worship, outreach, service and welcome to all, and to faithfully exercise our role as custodians of a sacred heritage building.

Our Purpose

- To advance the Christian religion in accordance with the faith and practice of the Church of England, by furthering the mission of the Church of England
- To care for and conserve the fabric and structure of the cathedral building
- To advance any other charitable purposes which are ancillary to the furtherance of this purpose

Our Values

Our values reflect the qualities we believe are essential to our life and work, and which will help guide us to achieve our objectives and demonstrate Christian faith and witness as we progress a culture of mutual flourishing, respect, and a shared endeavour, that is inspired and challenged by the Gospel.

As an organisation, and individuals with in it, we are:

- Inclusive
- Trustworthy
- Kind
- Collaborative
- Flexible
- Accountable
- Pro-active to change

Job Description

Job Title	Minibus Driver
Department	Song School
Reporting to	Office Manager, Song School
Hours	08:15 – 09:45 and 15:00 – 16:30 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Times may differ slightly as they are dependent on the route allocated. Job share options considered – detail hours of interest in your application
Salary	£12.00 per hour Lincoln Cathedral is a Living Wage Foundation employer
Contract	Casual/Part-time
Pension	All eligible employees will be automatically enrolled in the Pension Builder 2014 section of the Church Workers Pension Scheme operated by the Church of England Pensions Board
Other	This post will require an Enhanced DBS Check and a driving assessment
Job Purpose	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To transport junior members of the Cathedral Choir to and from the Cathedral and their school during the working week and to drive the choir to occasional concerts in the diocese. 	
Principal Duties:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Together with a Cathedral Chaperone, to collect children, as requested by the Office Manager, Song School and drive them to or from their schools, To return the minibus to the appointed parking space To be responsible for the health and safety, comfort and welfare of choristers and staff being transported To carry out daily vehicle checks and basic maintenance (checking oil levels, tyres etc.) To be responsible for the security of the minibus and the premises where it is parked Reporting any vehicle defects, faults, incidents and accidents to the Works Department Ensuring the vehicle is in a clean and roadworthy condition before and after use Refuelling the vehicles as required 	

Person Specification

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA
<p>The primary purpose of the Cathedral is to be place of Christian worship. An understanding of the Church of England and the ability to work comfortably and in sympathy with the worship and mission of the cathedral, engaging in all aspects of the cathedral's life, are essential to this role.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full, clean driving licence (held for at least two years)• Experience of driving a large vehicle• Pleasant, patient and helpful personality• An ability to communicate with a range of different people• Ability to work on own initiative and as part of a team• Reliable and trustworthy• Flexible approach to working arrangements• Good organisational ability
EXPERIENCE & SKILLS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hold a current, clean and valid driving licence; D1 unrestricted or a PCV licence or D1 restricted OR a car licence obtained prior to 01/01/1997• Age 21+ (for insurance purposes)• Geographical knowledge of the local area• Competent to undertake vehicle checks and carry out basic maintenance

Interview and selection process

Please submit your application using the application form. A CV is not an acceptable substitute but may be attached as an additional document if you wish.

Closing date for applications: Until filled.

Interview date: To be confirmed.

Applications by email to: recruitment@lincolncathedral.com

- Lincoln Cathedral is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of all children, young people and adults who may be involved in and/or visit the Cathedral.
- Offers of employment are subject to providing proof of the right to work in the UK, satisfactory references, and, where appropriate, a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check at enhanced level.

The Cathedral reserves the right to interview and appoint at any point during the recruitment process.

Health & Safety:

Under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, whilst at work, you must take reasonable care for your own health & safety and that of any other person who may be affected by your acts or omissions. In addition, you must cooperate with the Organisation on health & safety and not interfere with, or misuse, anything provided for your health, safety, or welfare.

Safeguarding:

All staff and volunteers are expected to demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding the welfare of all children and adults who may be vulnerable, who are involved with and/or visit the Cathedral. This will include adherence to policies and procedures, following good practice in relation to their own behaviour and conduct and undertaking any safeguarding duties commensurate with their specific role.

Inclusivity and Diversity:

Lincoln Cathedral is committed to building an inclusive and varied workplace, welcoming people from all backgrounds. All staff are expected to be compliant with all legislation, best practice and the values of the Cathedral.

Equality Statement

The Cathedral is committed to the principles of equality and diversity in employment and aims not to discriminate on grounds of gender, age, appearance, race, sexuality, class, ability, culture, nationality, political belief, trade union activity or religious belief.