

# FROM THE CEO OF CHURCH ARMY

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I'm delighted that you are interested in the role of Lead Evangelist in the Suffolk Centre of Mission which is a partnership between the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich and Church Army. I hope that this introduction will give you a sense of who Church Army are. I encourage you to explore our [website](#).

In all our work Church Army seeks to support and empower those most in need in the UK & Ireland. We walk alongside and love those who are struggling, especially the marginalised. We are a mission organisation committed to enabling the transformation of lives and communities in and by the love of God.

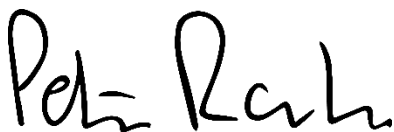
The work of Church Army makes a real difference in people's lives. Every role offers the opportunity contribute to making our vision a reality. Our GRACEUP values are at the heart of all that we do across Church Army, in our work and in our relationships. They serve as cultural cornerstones, compass points and anchors. Whilst this role is employed by the Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, as a Lead Evangelist you will be very much part of Church Army's team as well. In taking up this role, you will become part of a community of remarkable people who are proud to do what they do. Together we work hard to make sure our team know that they are valued for their contributions and moreover valued for who they are.

This is an exciting time to work with us. As we implement our DARE strategy Church Army is growing its frontline work and growing its impact. We are proud to work in some of the toughest communities across the UK and Ireland. Our Centres of Mission, in partnership with Dioceses, are where evangelists live in local communities sharing faith, and empowering & equipping the local church in mission and evangelism. In Marylebone London, we run the biggest women's only hostel and the only 24/7 emergency drop-in centre in the UK. Marylebone empowers women to end their homelessness and live their lives to the full. In Cardiff, we run the Amber Project, which helps young people who battle self-harm, and the Ty Bronna Project, which is a hostel for homeless young people. Elsewhere one of our Projects befriends, serves and supports vulnerable women involved in the sex industry.

It can be challenging work. Church Army is often found where others won't go and doing things that others can't or won't. Yet it is joyful and fulfilling work. We serve in a broad range of settings, with people from all walks of life, and of all faiths and none. I am thrilled and humbled to work for an organisation that does this in God's name and your name.

I hope that you will be inspired and encouraged to want to take up this role.

Yours,



**Peter Rouch**

