Gareth Mostyn has been appointed as Chief Finance and Operations Officer for the National Church Institutions (NCIs) of the Church of England. He will join from De Beers plc, where he is currently Executive Head of Strategy and Corporate Affairs, prior to which he was Chief Financial Officer.

Gareth will be responsible for providing financial leadership across the NCIs, encompassing the Church Commissioners, Archbishops' Council and Church of England Pensions Board. In addition, he will also oversee broader operations in the NCIs, with the departments of HR, IT, Office Services and the Church of England Record Centre reporting to him.

Andrew Brown, Chief Executive of the Church Commissioners for England, said: "I am delighted to welcome Gareth to his new role. He brings with him considerable experience and we are pleased to have someone of his calibre joining the National Church Institutions. I am sure that he will be a great asset to the Church of England, and look forward to working with him."

"I would also like to thank Ian Theodoreson for his exemplary service to the Church of England as Chief Financial Officer for the past nine years, and wish him well for the future."

Responding to his appointment, Gareth said: "It is a great privilege to be joining the National Church Institutions of the Church of England in this role. The Church of England plays a crucial part in the life of the nation, and I am excited and humbled to have been given this opportunity to contribute to its hugely important work."

Gareth will take up his new role early next year.

Notes

Gareth has been a director of De Beers since February 2012, first as Chief Financial Officer until 2016, and most recently as Executive Head of Strategy and Corporate Affairs. Prior to De Beers, Gareth held senior finance roles with Anglo American plc and The BOC Group plc (latterly The Linde Group). He is a Chartered Accountant and has a degree in Business Economics from Durham University. Gareth is also Trustee and Treasurer of the charity, SeeAbility.

He replaces Ian Theodoreson, who leaves the NCIs this month after nine years as Chief Financial Officer.

The Church Commissioners, Archbishops' Council and the Church of England Pensions Board comprise the three largest of the NCIs. They support the work of its 44 dioceses and 16,000 parishes. Each organisation works closely together to support the Church of England in its mission, while having its own separate legal responsibilities, duties and governance arrangements.