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Presence & Engagement was set up in 2005 to encourage the Church of England to think about the reality of religious diversity and how it might shape mission and ministry. You can read more about the programme's origins and its current focus in the General Synod reports below:

- Presence & Engagement report (2005)
- Staying Present and Engaging Faithfully (2009)
- Sharing the Gospel of Salvation (2010)
- Generous Love for All (2011)
- The Church of England's Mission and Ministry in Multi-Religious Society (2017)

In 2018, The Rev Dr Richard Sudworth was appointed as the Archbishop's Secretary for Inter Religious Affairs and the National Advisor for Inter Religious Affairs to the Church of England. Prior to this he was a parish priest in Sparkbrook, Birmingham. Richard has a PhD in Christian-Muslim relations and has written several books on interfaith engagement, as well as being a long-standing member of the Presence & Engagement Task Group.

Siriol Davies coordinates the Presence & Engagement programme. This supports the mission and ministry of parishes and other Anglican

communities in multi-religious contexts in England. Siriol would love to hear from you if you require support in this area. She can be contacted at

the National Presence & Engagement Team using the form below.

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Presence and Engagement Hubs

We have hubs in four areas of the country. They each have their own staff and run different projects, but these all reflect the ethos of P&E.

St Philip's Centre, Leicester

St Philip's Centre is a Christian-led interfaith organisation based in Leicester. They work to build understanding, respect, trust and cooperation among people from different backgrounds. Their work includes courses for churches of all denominations, education for students and teachers in schools and colleges, and training for the public and private sector, including the police and the army. They are also home to Near Neighbours for Leicester and Nottingham, and the local Prevent programme.

Faithful Neighbourhood Centre, Birmingham

The Faithful Neighbourhoods Centre (FNC) exists to:

- Provide a space where people of all faiths and none can meet
- Resource Christians living in a multi-faith society
- Support people to find ways of working together which improve their local areas.

The FNC is home to a range of projects and activities. Each reflects the centre's commitment to community regeneration and interfaith relationships.

Learn more from the FNC website or contact Dr Andrew Smith, Director of Interfaith Relations for the Bishop of Birmingham.

Faithful Neighbours, Leeds

Faithful Neighbours (formerly Bradford Churches for Dialogue and Diversity) is the name for Presence & Engagement in the Diocese of Leeds. They provide training courses for clergy and lay people about being a Christian in a multifaith context, with an emphasis on Christian-Muslim Relations.

Kings Centre Southall

Hosted at St John's Southall Green, Kings Centre Southall is a new P&E hub in the Diocese of London seeks to resource cross-cultural and interfaith learning, and encourage community transformation both locally and nationally. The Kings Centre also hosts Near Neighbours for West London.

Diocesan Interfaith Advisers

Most dioceses have a Diocesan Interfaith Adviser. Their role is to support clergy and congregations in their interfaith engagement. Use the

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