

The day-to-day management of the Commissioners is delegated to Gareth Mostyn. He is supported in his role by a senior management group and the wider staff team.

Chief Executive and Secretary - Gareth Mostyn

Gareth joined the Commissioners in 2018 from De Beers plc, where he was the Board Director responsible for Strategy and Corporate Affairs, prior to which he was Chief Financial Officer.

Prior to becoming Secretary and Chief Executive of the Church Commissioners, Gareth held the role of CFO and was responsible for providing financial leadership across the NCIs, encompassing the Church Commissioners, Archbishops' Council and Church of England Pensions Board. In addition, he oversaw broader shared service operations in the NCIs, with the departments of Finance, HR, Technology and Facilities reporting to him.

Chief Investment Officer - Tom Joy

Tom is the Commissioners' Chief Investment Officer, responsible for oversight of the investment function and management of the multi-asset portfolio. He previously worked as Chief Investment Officer of RMB Asset Management after a number of years at Schroder Investment Management. He started his career at Royal Sun Alliance Investment Management and is an associate member of the CFA Society of the UK.

Head of Bishoprics and Cathedrals - Michael Minta

The Church Commissioners provide housing and office accommodation for Diocesan Bishops and Archbishops in England and fund their working costs. Michael is responsible for leading the Commissioners work in serving bishops and cathedrals in their ministry throughout England. Michael is also Secretary to the Bishoprics and Cathedrals Committee and part of the team tasked with implementing the recommendations of the Cathedrals Working Group. He joined the Church Commissioners from the Diocese of Chelmsford in February 2019 after six and a half years as Director of Development and Property.

Head of Mission, Pastoral and Church Property - Wendy Matthews

Wendy joined the Commissioners in 2020, from Bristol Cathedral, where she was the Chapter Clerk and Chief Operating Officer.

Prior to the Cathedral, Wendy worked in economic development and higher education and has a broad public sector background.

Chief Operating Officer - Rosie Slater-Carr

Rosie joined the NCIs in 2020 from the British Red Cross where she was Chief Information Officer. She has worked in Technology, Data and Innovation roles in the Charity sector for the past 10 years. The role of Chief Operating Officer works across all NCIs and she oversees the shared service operations, with the functions of Finance, HR, Technology, Data, National Giving Strategy and Project Management reporting to her.

Director of Libraries and Archives- Declan Kelly

Declan joined the Church Commissioners in 2005 following a career at the BBC and the Department of Health. He is the Church's first Director of Libraries and Archives (a post created following a detailed review of its documentary heritage). A Chartered Librarian and Member of the Archives and Records Association, Declan received an MSc in Information Science after a first degree in Physiology. He has also served as vice-Chair of the National Council on Archives. He is married with three grown up children.

Director of Finance - Joanna Woolcock

Joanna joined the National Church Institutions (NCIs) in April 2017 and as Finance Director is responsible for leadership of the Finance Team, a shared service function incorporating management reporting and planning, statutory accounting, transaction processing, payroll and procurement for all the NCI entities, including the Church Commissioners.

After undertaking her chartered accountancy training with Deloitte, Joanna joined the NSPCC, a large children's charity, where she held a variety of financial leadership roles for nine years prior to joining the NCIs.

People Director - Christine Hewitt-Dyer

Christine joined the NCIs early in 2019 from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) where she was Director for People, Capability & Change and an executive board member. Prior to this she held the role of People & Business Services Director at the Defence Science & Technology Laboratory (part of the Ministry of Defence, Porton Down). Christine's career has involved a range of economic, science policy, and HR roles in central government including the Department of Business, Innovation & Skills and Acas.

Official Solicitor - Alexander McGregor

In addition to his roles as Head of the Church of England Legal Office and Chief Legal Adviser to the Archbishops' Council and the General Synod, Alexander is also the Commissioners' Official Solicitor. Alexander was Deputy Head of the Legal Office for ten years. He was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1996 and practised in chambers in London, specialising in public and administrative law. He was ordained deacon in 2006 and priest in 2007 and serves as a self-supporting minister in the Diocese of London.

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