

Mr Andrew Williams (Coventry) to ask the Chair of the Ministry Council:

Q Both on a national basis and per Diocese, what are the number (and percentage of total numbers) of disabled people:

- Entering the vocations process for ordained ministry;
- Being recommended for training;
- Completing training; and
- Receiving a stipendiary vs non-stipendiary title post?

The Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich to reply as Chair of the Ministry Council:

A In the 2017/2018 academic year, 4% of those sponsored for a BAP declared a disability, the same percentage were recommended for training and a slightly higher percentage, 5%, sponsored for a stipendiary post.

The numbers are posted on the board.

We have chosen not to give the breakdown by diocese as the numbers are so small that it would be possible to identify the individuals concerned.

	Candidates attending Bishops Advisory Panels		
	Sept 2017 - July 2018		
	Total	Disabled	% of total
Sponsored for BAP	674	30	4%
Recommended for training	580	26	4%
Sponsored for Stipendiary Post	399	19	5%