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Cambourne Parish Nursing

Dear Ruth and John,

I am a registered nurse currently working within the NHS and also a member of Cambourne Church. As a church we are hoping to develop a Parish Nursing role over the next few months. This will enable the church to participate in the development of ideas or projects within the community in order to promote and support physical, emotional and spiritual health and wellbeing.

Parish Nursing is an internationally recognised volunteer role for a registered nurse working within a church context. There are around 100 Parish Nurses within the UK and they each work with a team of volunteers to run various projects from walking groups, healthy eating projects and support groups for those living with specific issues. In addition they can visit individuals who are unwell or need time to go through medical issues such as new medication or new diagnosis or in anticipation of investigations.

I obviously remain duty bound to work within the nursing Code of Conduct and within my areas of expertise and training, and as such the parish nursing projects in Cambourne would initially need to be focused on adults although could include family activities.

Often Parish Nursing projects have been created to 'fill the gaps' in order to complement the hard work that is already being undertaken by NHS and voluntary services within the community. There are many very effective projects and groups already running in Cambourne but it may be that you have noticed a particular group of people or health issue that you feel could do with more support and we would very much appreciate your reflection and feedback on this. I would be happy to hear from you or meet and discuss this further and you are welcome to contact me either through email or using the details below

Yours sincerely,

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