



# Church Caretaker - Job Description

## Job Purpose

To ensure that all Combe Down PCC buildings and grounds are safe, clean, secure, and well-maintained. The caretaker will play a key role in supporting the ministry and mission of the churches by ensuring that all facilities are welcoming, functional, and ready for worship, community use, and events.

## **Key Responsibilities**

#### 1. Building Maintenance & Repairs

- Carry out regular inspections of Holy Trinity Church, St Andrew's Church, St Andrew's Community Centre, and the Church Rooms to identify and address maintenance needs.
- Undertake minor repairs (e.g. replacing light bulbs, painting, minor plumbing or carpentry).
- Identify contractors for larger work and liaise with them once on site to ensure jobs are completed to a satisfactory standard.
- Monitor and operate heating, lighting, and ventilation systems efficiently.
- Keep maintenance logs and ensure service schedules (boilers, electrical checks, fire safety systems, etc.) are up to date.

#### 2. Cleaning & Presentation

- Set up and clear spaces for services, meetings, and events.
- Ensure all four buildings are kept clean, tidy, and ready for use, by
  monitoring the performance of the cleaning companies particularly
  ensuring toilets, kitchens, and communal areas are maintained to a high
  standard of hygiene.
- Carry out some cleaning as required.
- Manage waste and recycling, including collection schedules for each site.

#### 3. Security & Safety

- Open and lock buildings for worship services, groups, and community bookings.
- Ensure the security of premises, including alarms, locks, and keys.
- Act as a keyholder and respond to callouts or emergencies when needed.
- Support the PCC in meeting health and safety obligations, including fire safety, risk assessments, and reporting of hazards.

• Keep accurate records of incidents, inspections, and compliance checks.

### 4. Compliance & Record-Keeping

- Maintain building maintenance records, service logs, and inspection reports.
- Support compliance with statutory checks (gas safety, PAT testing, fire extinguishers, etc.).
- Follow safeguarding and data protection policies at all times.

#### 5. Grounds & External Areas

- Maintain outdoor areas, paths, and car parks so they are safe, tidy, and welcoming.
- Responsible for cutting grass and hedges.
- Clear leaves, snow, or ice from walkways when required.

#### 6. Coordination & Communication

- Coordinate with colleagues and volunteers to ensure smooth day-to-day operation of the buildings.
- Advise Administrator of contractors on site so she can maintain a schedule of building use and liaise with hall users and community groups.
- Attend staff or PCC operations meetings as requested.