



## **Algarkirk Major Project Group Member**

**Organisation:** Algarkirk Major Project Group

**Location:** St Peter and St Paul's Church, Algarkirk, Boston, Lincolnshire

**Where the role is based:** Either at home or at organisation

**Travel limit:** n/a

**Application deadline:** 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016

**Opportunity type:** Trustee/Governor

**Opportunity description:** St Peter and St Paul's in Algarkirk is a beautiful medieval church containing nationally significant Victorian stained glass and decorations, it is a remarkable and important building. Today, however, the church is in desperate need of repair and restoration.

Our vision is to make St Peter and St Paul's a bridge between Algarkirk's past and its future. Through the promotion of the heritage skills that made the church so beautiful and architecturally important; through the regeneration of its role as a community resource and tourist attraction; and by continuing an unbroken tradition of worship, we aim to enrich the lives and experiences of all who come within its reach.

The project is now at a crucial and exciting stage and the AMPG is looking to expand and recruit new members from a range of professional backgrounds to supplement and support the current skills base within the group.

This is an opportunity to be involved in a major conservation project that will have a national profile. It will also be a flagship initiative within the East Midlands, delivered in partnership with the University of Lincoln, Lincoln Castle Heritage Skills Centre, the Diocese of Lincoln and Heritage Lincolnshire. Trustees will play a central role in its further development and delivery and will become instrumental to its success.

**The role:** In 2014 the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) awarded Algarkirk PCC a substantial grant (c.£175,000) to develop a project to repair the parish church of St Peter and St Paul's; conserve its Victorian Stained glass and painted scheme; adapt the interior of the church building for complementary uses, including establishing it as a centre of excellence for

heritage skills training; and offer onsite and online interpretation of the church and its history.

Upon the award of the development grant, a sub-committee of the PCC, the Algarkirk Major Project Group (AMPG), was established to manage, develop and deliver the project. A 2nd round application for funds (c.£2m) to deliver the Project is due to be submitted in February 2017.

**Required skills:**

- Leadership
- Project management
- Financial management
- Volunteer management
- Governance
- Business advice
- Fundraising

**Person description:** We are looking for members who will offer encouragement and leadership, ideally with an interest in safeguarding our heritage for the benefit and enjoyment of local people and visitors.

If you would be interested in sharing your skills, and can devote a few hours per month for meetings, and some additional time to contribute your expertise and knowledge to the management and development of the project, we would love to hear from you.

**What impact the opportunity will have:** This is an opportunity to make a real difference to the future of a significant heritage asset by working with a professional, committed and caring management team to preserve and develop a unique heritage site which is of national as well as regional importance.

**What's in it for the volunteer?** Being a member of the Algarkirk Major Project Group offers opportunities to:

- Play a part in a project with a national profile
- Be part of a professional, committed and caring management team
- Contribute your skills and experience to make a positive difference to the future of a nationally significant heritage site
- Make new contacts and improve your personal networks
- Develop new skills
- Get involved in the local community

**Time commitment:** The Algarkirk Project Group meets once per month. Various sub-committees meet regularly to focus on specific development areas. This can be flexible depending upon your existing commitments.

**Other details:** The role is unpaid, but related expenses can be reimbursed. A small budget is also available for training, where necessary.

**Contact:** Please send an expression of interest, outlining your area of expertise and interest in the role, to [algarkirkchurch2015@gmail.com](mailto:algarkirkchurch2015@gmail.com).

**Website:** [www.algarkirkchurch.org.uk](http://www.algarkirkchurch.org.uk)

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