

Sabbaticals Advisory Group

Role description

The District Sabbatical Advisory Group's primary responsibility is to consider prospectuses submitted by ministers who are to take a sabbatical and, as appropriate, approve or suggest amendments which are felt necessary before approval can be granted.

The group meets by Zoom at a time convenient for members, usually twice but occasionally three times a year. The meeting is chaired by the District Chair and the District Sabbaticals Officer acts as secretary.

We are looking for a member to join the group who will offer wise consideration of the submitted prospectuses, supporting ministers in the process of refining their proposals. See <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/sabbaticals/> for more information.

At the moment, all three non-ex-officio members of the group are lay people, and so an expression of interest from a minister would be particularly welcomed. Group members should be either members of a Methodist church (or LEP) in the District, or a minister (in the active work or supernumerary) stationed in the District.

I am always happy to talk with potential volunteers about the role, without any commitment!

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