



# DIOCESE OF CONNOR

Diocesan Training Council

## ‘Growing Leaders’

James Lawrence CPAS

Friday 10th June

10.00 am—3.00 pm (lunch included)

Antrim Parish Halls, Antrim

**You** are invited to attend a training day with James Lawrence CPAS. All are welcome to the training day and please bring along anyone you feel may benefit. James will be sharing about the need for developing leaders and how use of the Growing Leaders resource can help in this process. We are very fortunate to get James to come and speak to us and this will be a valuable opportunity to discuss leadership issues.

Connor Diocesan Training Council will be running a diocesan wide ‘Growing Leaders’ programme beginning in the autumn and this is an opportunity to see if the programme is suitable for potential leaders in your parish

**James Lawrence** is the Director of Leadership Development at CPAS and overall leader of the Arrow Leadership Programme (UK). He is author of several books and courses, including *Growing Leaders*. (see over)

The **Growing Leaders** course focuses on developing leaders across the life of the church, and provides practical resources for running a leadership development process over a year.

**To book** please send the slip below to Mrs Rosemary Patterson, Bishop’s Secretary, Church of Ireland House, 61-67 Donegall Street, Belfast BT1 2QH or email [rpatterson@diocoff-belfast.org](mailto:rpatterson@diocoff-belfast.org)

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I wish to attend the **Growing Leaders Training Day** on Friday June 10th in Antrim Parish Halls. I will be bringing \_\_\_ other people with me.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Contact no. \_\_\_\_\_



## PROFILE JAMES LAWRENCE

James Lawrence is the Director of Leadership Development at CPAS and overall leader of the Arrow Leadership Programme (UK). He is author of several books and courses, including *Growing Leaders*.

An engaging and dynamic communicator, James brought the highly respected Arrow Leadership Programme to the UK in 1998, simultaneously taking on the challenge of facilitating leadership excellence in both the Anglican church and various charitable sector organisations.

Following a degree in theology at Durham University, James trained at an Anglican vicar-factory (Ridley Hall, Cambridge). He then worked as assistant minister of an ecumenical church before taking on a part time role as deanery advisor in evangelism.

He joined CPAS in 1993 as an evangelist, engaged in missions and training others in evangelism. He has a particular concern for men and his workbook *Men - the Challenge of Change* (CPAS) was published in 1997. That year he was invited to join Springboard (the Archbishops' of Canterbury and York's initiative for evangelism) to resource the Church of England in its mission. After three years in this role, he became Director of Evangelism at CPAS.

After many years of working with churches, James was convinced that leadership was a key factor in healthy, growing churches. In 1998 he established the Arrow Leadership Programme in the UK. He loves the opportunity that Arrow gives him to work with a wide variety of leaders around the UK and Ireland, as well as abroad. He teaches, trains and mentors leaders of all ages, as well as leading the Arrow Team.

A keen observer of contemporary culture, James reads widely and is interested in sport, travel and the cinema. He says: 'I'm fascinated by the way our society is changing – and determined to help the church communicate in a way that makes sense to today's men, women and children. Leadership of such churches is a complex business. I am so grateful for all that Arrow taught me about leadership, and the opportunity to resource other leaders in their leadership and evangelism.'

He is married to Sophie, an occupational psychologist, and they have two sons and a daughter. James loves anything that travels fast. He enjoys running a family car business with his two boys and ironing.