



A Placement Profile

A1 Presbytery	Yarra Yarra Presbytery		
A2 Name of Placement	Knox Regional Cluster		
A3 Placement city/suburb/town	Boronia, Bayswater, Ferntree Gully, Rowville, Scoresby,		
A4 Church/Office location(s)	Boronia, Bayswater, Scoresby, Rowville		
A5 Congregations and agencies associated with this placement	See A3 above		
A6 Ministry leadership being sought	Specific ministry role:		
	Minister of the Word <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deacon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ministry of Pastor <input type="checkbox"/>
A7 Specific details	Additional placement <input type="checkbox"/>	Replacement placement <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Full Time <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Part Time <input type="checkbox"/>	Time fraction	
	Earliest Start Date:	1/09/2024	
A8 Placement term	Undefined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Up to 10 years (see Reg 2.7.3(a))	
	Fixed Term <input type="checkbox"/>	Required for non-congregational placements (see Reg 2.7.3(b))	Years <input type="text"/>
A9 To be completed by Presbytery, with reasons given on page 11:	Is permission sought to advertise?		
	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Is a Priority Placement recommended?		
	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
A10 Contact Person	[REDACTED]		
A11 Email address	[REDACTED]		
A12 Website			
A13 Social Media			
A14 Google map link			
A15 Area map (paste image)	[REDACTED]		

B The Congregation

B1 Tell a potential minister about this placement and yourselves, in your own words and pictures, in no more than one page. Share something of your congregation's values, beliefs and ways in which you live out and share the gospel message.

Include comment about why you need a new minister. How will this placement be exciting, challenging, and attractive to a minister? How can God be served in new ways here? What do you want the Minister to do with you and for you?

This is your chance to 'be creative' and catch the attention of someone who is thinking of sharing their call, their gifts, their life with you.

The Knox Regional Cluster is a group of congregations who have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to come together to facilitate flourishing ministry in the outer eastern suburbs of Melbourne. To that end, the congregations are committed to sharing ministry resources and missional opportunities, as well as moving toward greater unity and alignment (including the possibility of mergers and amalgamations), in order to enable the more effective deployment of missional resources and activities in their local communities.

B2 List and explain any particular priorities which the congregation has identified and which it will address in the next two to five years?

The priorities listed below are listed in terms of their commonality across the congregations NOT as a ranking of importance.

1. Educating, training and supporting lay leadership
2. Nurturing people of all ages in faith, spirituality and the sharing of their faith with others
3. Engaging in new mission initiatives
4. Caring for marginalised people
5. Fostering local mission and service initiatives
6. Social justice and advocacy
7. Assisting congregations in developing vision for mission
8. Leading worship and proclaiming the Gospel

B3 Does this placement relate to more than one congregation?

Yes

No

If so, provide details on page 7.

B4 What ethnic and language groups are represented in the congregation? What proportion of the congregation does each represent?

The congregations are predominantly elderly and of Anglo-Australian background, which does not reflect the age and cultural diversity of the Knox Region. That said, some of the congregations have a more diverse ethnic and cultural profile.

B5 What languages are spoken in the life of your:

Congregation, by		Community, by	
Individuals	N/A	Individuals	N/A
Groups	N/A	Groups	N/A

B6 What languages are spoken by the congregation in worship?

English

B7 Describe any involvement your congregation has in covenanting activities.

There is a diverse range of activities currently undertaken by the congregations, from hosting community groups to partnering with schools (Kids Hope) and aged care/residences (visiting) to partnering with homeless groups to host dinners during summer, to participation in ecumenical prayer groups, as well as mental health and community support groups. This is an indicative not exhaustive list.



B8 List any UCA Schools and/or agencies (Uniting VicTas, Uniting AgeWell) with which the congregation has an existing relationship.

N/A

C Statistics

C1 Information about the congregation(s)

Congregation	Scoresby	Boronia Road	Ferntree Gully	Rowville	Bayswater
Number of contacts on Pastoral Roll	34	125	21	40	105
Average number attending worship each week	18	40	17	23	15-25

C2 During the past two years:

Baptisms	0	2	0	1	0
Confirmations	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers in	0	4	0	3	0
Transfers out	0	2	0	1	0
Marriages	0	0	0	1	0
Funerals	2	5	0	10	5

D Worship

D1 Worship services or regular worship-related gatherings

Style of Service	Frequency/Time	Av. Attendance
Scoresby – Traditional/relaxed modern	10am twice monthly	18
Boronia Road – Contemporary/traditional mix	10am weekly	40
Ferntree Gully – Informal	10am “mostly” weekly	17
Rowville – Traditional	10am weekly	23
Bayswater – Traditional	10am weekly	15-25