

- How it is structured

- How we go about our work.

Two key reasons for having a document like this are:-

- Transparency – to ensure that anyone can understand how we go about our work
- We operate to a 'service model' – viewing all the things that we do as 'services'. As this way of working is not so commonplace outside of some commercial organisations, this document helps to explain how it works for the Commission

Why does the commission exist?

Working for Justice is a fundamental part of being a Catholic Christian. The main purposes for having the Justice & Peace Commission are as follows:-

- To celebrate and share the social justice activity that goes on in parishes across the Diocese of Leeds
- To promote thinking and lay leadership about Catholic Social Thought within the Diocese of Leeds
- To promote awareness, discussion and action throughout the Leeds Diocese about the 'just' Gospel response to current key issues of social justice
- We are a "Commission" - officially appointed by the Bishop to serve the Diocese and advise the Bishop of Leeds on matters of Social Justice

How is the commission structured?

The Commission consists of a group of between 12-20 parishioners and others from across the Diocese