

**Southwark Cathedral  
Chief Financial Officer (CFO)  
£70K FT per annum plus contributory pension  
Part time may be considered**

Southwark Cathedral has been a place of Christian worship for over 1400 years. Now it stands on the vibrant and exciting regenerated south bank of the Thames surrounded by cultural venues such as Tate Modern, Shakespeare's Globe and Borough Market, the offices of major companies as well as schools and diverse residential communities. It is an inclusive and diverse Christian community that offers a welcome to all.

This is a new role for the Cathedral following the implementation of the Cathedrals Measure 2021. The Measure means that the Cathedral is now registered as a charity and falls under the regulation of the Charity Commission. We are looking for an experienced, proactive and talented CFO to help the Cathedral achieve its vision and calling. The post holder will be part of the Senior Management Team working together with the COO, clergy, and staff under the oversight of Chapter to develop and deliver the Chapter's vision for the life of the Cathedral. The CFO will lead and manage the finance department of the Cathedral, working closely with the Financial Controller, other senior managers, heads of departments, external advisers, and Chapter Members to enable the Cathedral to deliver in line with the vision, values, and aims of the Cathedral.

This is a role that requires creative and ambitious thinking as well as the delivery to non-financial colleagues of sound financial advice and a balanced approach to risk.

**Key points of this role to be considered by potential candidates:**

- This is a new role requiring creative and ambitious thinking alongside the COO. There will be a requirement to work flexibly including very occasional evening and weekend work.
- Educated to degree level or equivalent plus CCAB/CIMA/ACCA accountancy qualification.
- They will need to lead the work and staff of the Finance Department of the Cathedral and have experience of working at a senior level within a strategic role.
- They will need to ensure that relevant, timely and digestible monthly management information is appropriately produced and shared to ensure effective management and accountability. Knowledge and understanding of charity finance is required.
- Excellent communication, influencing and negotiation skills with the ability to deliver succinct oral and written output is required.
- Ensure that the highest standards of professional performance are maintained, lead mentoring and development of the Finance Department, participate in performance review and appraisal arrangements, continue professional development.
- Ability to think laterally and creatively to find solutions and resolve problems maintaining focus on achieving strategic aims, plus evidence of structured and analytical thinking.
- Demonstrates empathy for the vision, mission, and values of Southwark Cathedral.

**Please apply by visiting [www.thewlisgraham.com/assignment-briefings](http://www.thewlisgraham.com/assignment-briefings) and following the instructions in the candidate brief quoting reference AAI201. The closing date is 27 February 2023 at 4pm.**

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