



St Bede's Pastoral Centre York

York Ignatian Spirituality Accompaniment Course (YISAC) REFERENCE FORM

Name of applicant:

Dear Referee,

This person has applied to take a two-year course in Ignatian based spiritual accompaniment. Details of the course are enclosed.

It will be spiritually, emotionally and intellectually demanding. It will require stamina, commitment and application. We would value your opinion as to her/his suitability for such a course. Any information you give us will be treated in confidence and the form destroyed after interview.

Please answer the following questions as fully as you feel is possible and add any other points that you think may help our discernment and decision-making process.

With our thanks,

Liz Hoare on behalf of the St. Bede's YISAC Team

1. How long and in what capacity have you known this person?

2. In your view, is this person suitable for this course?

3. How would you describe the applicant? (please highlight or ring the phrases that apply or add any of your own):

thoughtful prayerful anxious approachable committed
generous inflexible tolerant warm self-contained easy to be with
cautious a good listener tendency to over commit enjoys life analytical
open-minded interested in ecumenism broad life experience reserved
lively uncomfortable with uncertainty

Other.....

4. **What signs do you see that would indicate that this person has good self-knowledge and self-awareness?**

5. **What qualities does she/he have as a listener?**

6. **In learning groups what role is she/he likely to adopt?** (e.g. leader, silent mouse, non-engaged, quietly reflective, provocateur, advisor, explorer, affirmer etc.)

7. **How does she/he cope with struggles and confusion?**

8. **What evidence do you have that she/he can keep confidences?**

9. **How would you describe her/his relationship with God?**

10. **Once trained, would you have any reservations about this person accompanying you?**

Your Name:

Title:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel:

Mobile:

Email:

Signed:

Date:

Please return this form to Liz Hoare marked 'Confidential YISAC' by **Friday 19th April 2024** either by email liz@stbedes.org.uk or in a sealed envelope to St. Bede's Pastoral Centre, 21 Blossom Street, York. YO24 1AQ.