

When will the pioneer appointments be made?

This table sets out when we expect each of the nine pioneer appointments to be made during the initial phase of the Pioneer Project. Decisions where to deploy pioneers are made by the Pioneer Deployment Panel which meets three times a year. The latest date for expressing interest in submitting a proposal to a particular Panel meeting is shown. Expressions of interest should be made to the Evangelism and Pioneer Team Leader (EPTL) through arranging an initial discussion. You will find a description of the process for applying for one of the pioneers to be deployed in your locality in the document “[What is the process for applying for a pioneer?](#)”.

Date of Deployment Panel	Anticipated number of posts to be approved ⁽¹⁾	Date by which initial interest should be expressed to EPTL ⁽²⁾	Anticipated licensing date of pioneer ⁽³⁾
21 Feb 2018	1 (appointed)		09 Jul 2018
20 Jun 2018	decision deferred		
17 Sep 2018	2 (approved)		Feb 2019
23 Jan 2019	1	Closed to further expressions of interest	Jun 2019
22 May 2019	3 posts in total <i>(either 2+1 or 1+2)</i>	Preferred: 31 Oct 2018 Final: 31 Dec 2018	Oct 2019
09 Sep 2019		Preferred: 28 Feb 2019 Final: 30 Apr 2019	Feb 2020
[Jan] 2020	1	Preferred: 30 Jun 2019 Final: 31 Aug 2019	Jun 2020
[May] 2020	1	Preferred: 31 Oct 2019 Final: 31 Dec 2019	Oct 2020

- (1) This assumes each proposal is for a full-time post. Project Funding is in place for a total of 9 FTE, and part-time posts are not excluded from consideration. It is open to the Panel to defer its decision on a proposal pending further development work.
- (2) Potential proposals should be discussed with the EPTL as early as possible. The preferred date allows for feedback on a Draft Proposal to be provided by the Deployment Panel before the Final Proposal is brought to it for decision. Delay until the final date is higher risk and will require an intensive and highly focussed period of development.
- (3) Appointment of the pioneer may be made once the role is approved subject to normal recruitment procedures. The anticipated licensing dates allow for 2 months for advertising/interview and 3 months notice period of the preferred candidate.