



# DIOCESE OF BATH & WELLS

Changing Lives, Changing Churches for Changing Communities

## 2011 SURVEY TO ESTABLISH PARISH SHARE OF COMMON FUND FOR 2012

CHURCH:.....

PARISH/BENEFICE/TEAM:.....

DEANERY:.....

**Please return to your Rural Dean by 20th April**

Please complete and sign this form and send one copy to your Rural Dean by 20<sup>th</sup> April. Retain one copy for your records. Details of the 2012 Share will be distributed to parishes in early November following approval of the Diocesan Budget by Diocesan Synod in October.

All signatories to this form must read the accompanying Question and Answer booklet before filling in and signing the form.

### PART 1: CHURCH MEMBERSHIP FOR 2011

Last year's declared membership

1

**ADD** new members declared last year and excluded from last year's total

2

**SUB TOTAL** - Last Year including new members

3

**ADD** members who either transferred from another church or existing churchgoers who reached the age of 18 in the year

4

**DEDUCT** those who left or passed away in the year

5

We consider our membership to be (3 plus 4 minus 5)

6

Please also complete the following three memorandum entries:

**A:** No. of new adult members during the year (not included in line 4 above, to be included in next year's membership total)

**B:** No. of housebound members included in box 6 who would otherwise attend

**C:** No. of members in box 6 who are gift-aiders

#### FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Your average adult weekly attendance in the October 2010 Statistics for Mission Count was

Your Electoral Roll Membership for 2010 was

If the church membership figure has changed significantly it would be helpful if you could provide a brief covering note of explanation for the Rural Dean

Your Parish Share for 2012 will be calculated on the average membership of years 2009, 2010 and 2011

## PART 2: CHOOSING YOUR CATEGORY

We would encourage you to look afresh at the category this year. The purpose of the categories is to ascertain the relative ability of the members of your church to contribute to the Common Fund compared with that of the other churches in the Diocese. This enables the application of a weighting so that churches whose members are better placed can assist those less able to pay.

You are asked to place your church in one of the categories, A, B, 'Mid', C or D. An explanation of the different categories is provided in the accompanying booklet.

We believe that our Church Membership is in category:

### 2011 PARISH SHARE SURVEY DECLARATION:

We confirm that the information given is a true and accurate statement of our Church Membership and their ability to pay their share of the Common Fund. We also confirm that this information has been presented to and accepted by the PCC and we have read and understood the accompanying Q & A booklet.

Signed: .....  
Parish Priest

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Churchwarden

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PCC Treasurer

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Churchwarden

Date: .....2011

Signed: .....  
(Rural Dean)

Date: .....2011

On behalf of the Monitoring Group of

..... Deanery

**N.B:** Please complete the statement in the box below if you are part of a group of churches that wish to be counted as a single unit.

**For churches in a parish, benefice or team that wish to be treated as a single unit for the purposes of apportionment and payment of the Parish Share.** Please sign and indicate which church within the group is taking on the responsibility for collection and sending on of the Parish Share. Please also obtain the signature of your Parish Priest to indicate their support of this decision.

*We wish to be treated as a single unit and the Treasurer of ..... should be notified of the apportionment on our behalf as arrangements have been made for payment to be made via that Church.*

Signed:.....  
Churchwarden

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Churchwarden

.....Parish Priest

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