PARISH SHARE 2020 DATA COLLECTION FORM

Parish ____________________________

Please complete both parts of this form and send it to the Rural Dean of ______________  by 30 April

PART 1 – FAIRER SHARE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you have an accurate list of church members you may skip boxes A - B and put the list total in box C.

Before completing this form please read the enclosed Fairer Share Guide carefully

Calculation of your 2019 Fairer Share Church Membership

Those 18 and over (not Visitors) who attended at least once during the period of the count Box (A)

Those who might have attended but didn’t – please see the Page 2 of the Guide Box (B)

This must be the number on your list - TOTAL (Box A + Box B) = Box C

DEDUCT from the above those who have only started to attend your church in the last year (other than any who transferred from other churches)

Box (D)

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP TOTAL (Box C - Box D) = Box E

Note that the average of the 2017, 2018 and 2019 counts will be used for 2020 Share calculations

Attendance at Services 17 March -> 14 April

You may wish to record in the table below:

1. Your church members for Fairer Share (this should include all those 18 years and over).
2. Visitors (including baptism parties, members of other churches in the benefice/parish etc).

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Please also complete Part 2 which is on the other side
PART 2 - DETERMINING YOUR CATEGORY

Before completing this part please arrange for the matter to be discussed by the PCC. Consider moving up a category – this would be a real help to the most-hard-pressed parishes in our Diocese. (See Page 3 of the Guide.)

The purpose of Part 2 is to ascertain the relative ability of your Church’s Members to pay their Share, compared with that of the other churches in the Diocese.

The relative ability of your Church Members to pay is assessed by you. You are asked to place your church in one of the five categories, A, B, C, D or exceptionally E, as described below. The comparison should be made against the members of other Parishes, both in the parish’s own Deanery and also in the wider Diocese.

The diocesan average is between B and C.

CATEGORY A  The members are favourably placed and likely to be more able to pay than most.

CATEGORY B  Whilst not amongst those most favourably placed, the members are generally likely to be better able to pay than most.

CATEGORY C  Whilst not amongst the least favourably placed, the members are generally less likely to be less able to pay than most.

CATEGORY D  The members are mainly amongst those least able to pay.

CATEGORY E  The members are all amongst the least able to pay.

We believe that our Church Membership is in category:  

Maximum discount for full payment in January is not available for Category D and E.

Please record in this box any comments which may assist the Deanery in assessing your Survey Form.

We confirm that the above is a true and accurate statement of the Church Membership and their ability to pay their Share of the common ministry costs of the Diocese, and that we have seen the list of members. We also confirm that this information has been accepted by the PCC and/or PCC Standing Committee at their meeting on Date …………………………….2019.

Signed …………………………………………    ………………………………………………..

Parish Priest                      Churchwarden

Date ……………………………. 2019

PLEASE SEND THIS TO YOUR RURAL DEAN BY 30 APRIL 2019 (KEEP A COPY WITH THE PCC MINUTES)

I confirm that the above information has been accepted by the Deanery Standing Committee as a true and accurate statement and that any necessary adjustment has been made in consultation with the parish.

Signed …………………………………… (Rural Dean)   Date …………………………. 2019