**CHURCHWARDENS DECLARATION 2025 -PLEASE RETURN SIGNED**

Dear Churchwardens,

We invite you to the Archdeacons’ Visitations, which will be held on:

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| Tue 24th June | Gosport and Fareham | D-Day Memorial Hall | Southwick, Priory Road, Fareham, PO17 6ED |
| Thu 26th June | Bishop Waltham and Petersfield | St Mary’s | Station Road, Liss, GU33 7AQ |
| Tue 1st July | Havant | Holy Trinity / Church Centre | Blendworth Lane, Horndean, PO8 0AA |
| Wed 2nd July | Portsmouth | St Jude’s | Kent Road, Southsea, PO5 3EL |
| Wed 9th July | Isle of Wight | Newport Minster | St Thomas Square, Newport, PO30 1SL |

As part of the legal process the **INCOMING** Churchwardens are asked to sign the following declaration and present the signed document to the Archdeacon’s PA at the Visitation.

**Please ensure you bring this signed document with you when you attend the Visitation.**

I declare that:

1. I will faithfully and diligently perform the duties of the office of churchwarden during my period of office;
2. I am not disqualified from holding the office of churchwarden under section 2 of the Churchwardens Measure 2001.

Section 6(1) of the Churchwardens Measure 2001

**Name of Churchwarden**: ………………………………………………………………………………………….

**Name of Parish:** …………………………………………….**Deanery:** …………………………………………..

**Date:** …. …………………….. **Signature:** ……………………………………………….

The declaration below is said by all incoming Churchwardens as part of the Visitation Church Service and reads:

*I declare that* ***I do solemnly and sincerely declare before God and his people that I will faithfully and diligently perform the duties of my office as Churchwarden in the parish in which I have been duly elected, according to the best of my skill and knowledge, calling at all times on the strength that God gives me.***

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