**CHURCHWARDENS DECLARATION 2023:**

**PLEASE RETURN SIGNED**

Dear Churchwardens,

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

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| Isle of Wight | Thursday 29th June | St John’s Church Hall, Newport  St John's Rd, Newport PO30 1LN |
| Fareham and Gosport | Monday 3rd July | Holy Trinity, Fareham  132 West St, Fareham PO16 0EL |
| Bishop Waltham and Petersfield | Monday 10th July | St Peter & St Paul, Hambledon  Church Ln, Hambledon, Waterlooville PO7 4RS |
| Portsmouth | Tuesday 4th July | St Luke’s Southsea  Greetham St, Southsea, Portsmouth, Southsea PO5 4LH |
| Havant | Thursday 13th July | St George’s Waterlooville  2012 St George's Walk, Waterlooville PO7 7EH |

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.**

Declaration

I declare that:

a) I will faithfully and diligently perform the duties of the office of churchwarden during my period of office;

b) 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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