

Synodical Government Measure 1969 (Amended 1995)



APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT ON
the parish of
(St Andrew's) Coniston & (St. Luke's) Torver
CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

I _____

of _____

_____ Post code _____

Phone _____ email _____

am baptised and am a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it. I am sixteen years or over and am either resident in the parish or have habitually attended public worship there for at least the past six months.

I apply for entry on the church electoral roll of the above named church.

Dated _____ Signed _____

NOTES

Joining the Electoral Roll means that you belong to the CofE faith community of Coniston & Torver and the CofE faith community belongs to you. It is what makes you legally a member of the CofE faith community of Coniston & Torver – so it entitles you to marry in St Andrew's or St. Luke's, have your child christened in St Andrew's or St. Luke's, and to vote and stand in Church elections for the Parochial Church Council (PCC) which makes decisions about the running of St. Andrew's and St. Luke's.

In this form, "parish" means an ecclesiastical parish

If you have any queries, please approach the clergy or lay people responsible for the parish, who will be pleased to help you

We hope you will feel that signing this form gives you some responsibility for our Parish and its life.

There is additional information overleaf

**When you have completed this form, please see that it is returned to the Electoral Roll Officer,
Pamela Hull, Brantwood Coniston LA21 8AD**

*We welcome you to membership in the CofE faith community of
Coniston & Torver*

NOTES

1. Churches have Annual Parochial Church Meetings, at which Churchwardens and PCC are elected, and those on the electoral roll are entitled to raise questions of parochial or general church interest. Our PCC meetings take place every two months and are publicised in the notices. We do encourage new members to stand for election.
2. You can be on more than one Church electoral roll at once.
3. Every six years a completely new roll is prepared and those on the previous roll are informed so that they can reapply. If you are not resident in the parish but were on the roll as an habitual worshipper and have been prevented by sickness or absence or other essential reason from worshipping for the past six months, you may write "would" before "..have habitually attended.." in the form and add " but was prevented from doing so because.." and then state the reason.
4. PCCs are the first tier of Church government: next are Deanery Synods (about the size of a Local Govt District); after that there is Diocesan Synod (the whole county) and General Synod (all of England) , which governs the CofE's doctrine, practice and finance.
5. The only churches at present in communion with the Church of England are other Anglican Churches and certain foreign churches.
6. Phone number and email are not, strictly, required for enrolment on the church Electoral Roll - but will be helpful pieces of information for your Church to have.

Members of other churches in England are usually admitted to communion as individuals, but their churches are not yet in communion with the Church of England. Such persons would naturally take part in the government of their own Churches, but if they are also members of the Church of England, can be on a CofE electoral roll.