

## APPENDIX B: YOUR CONNECTION WITH THE PARISH

*Please complete sections 1 and 2 and whichever questions(s) in section 3 apply*

*We only need to establish a connection for one of you.*

### SECTION 1

*(Please underline relevant statement(s))*

I (name) ..... wish to rely on a connection with the parish<sup>1</sup> of Corsham / Gastard / Lacock with Bowden Hill/ Neston by virtue of **one or more** of the following:

- I was baptised in the Church of England parish church
- I have been confirmed in the Church of England and was prepared for confirmation in the parish
- My parent<sup>2</sup> or grandparent<sup>2</sup> was married in the parish of by a Church of England service
- I have had my usual place of residence in the parish for at least 6 months<sup>3</sup>
- My parent has had his or her usual place of residence in the parish for at least 6 months during my lifetime<sup>3</sup>
- I have habitually attended public worship at Church of England services in the parish for at least 6 months<sup>4</sup>
- My parent has habitually attended public worship at Church of England services in the parish for at least 6 months during my lifetime<sup>4</sup>

### NOTES

1. *Our team of churches comprises a group of four parishes, each of which keeps its own records of past ceremonies – we need to know which registers to check.*

2. *In the applicable Church of England law the word ‘parent’ means:*

- *parent of either a legitimate or an illegitimate child; or*
- *an adoptive parent (This requires legal adoption); or*
- *a person ‘who has undertaken the care and upbringing’ of another person.*

*For a grandparent one of the above three types of relationship must apply between each generation and the next, i.e. between the grandparent and the parent and between the parent and the person completing the form.*

3. *This can apply whether or not you or your parent(s) are still resident in the parish*

4. *This can apply whether or not you or your parent(s) are still attending worship in the parish*

## SECTION 2

Does any of the information on which you are relying to show your connection with the parish:

- give a name for you which is different from the one you have used on this form; or
- give the surname for any parent or grandparent of yours which is different from your surname as set out on this form? Yes/No

If yes, please:

- give the previous/other name(s)
- explain how the difference has arisen and
- if the reason for the difference between the names is that you have changed your name, explain when and how the change(s) took place and provide any documentary information (e.g. adoption certificate, marriage certificate, deed poll for change of name)

PLEASE NOW GO ON TO COMPLETE THE PART(S) OF SECTION 3 WHICH CORRESPOND TO THE STATEMENT(S) YOU HAVE TICKED IN SECTION 1 ABOVE.

*If you need more space, please attach extra sheets of paper*

## SECTION 3

*Please answer the questions which relate to the connection(s) you have ticked in section 1.*

*Please give exact dates, places, names etc if possible – if not, please give as much information as you can. We recognise that it may be difficult or impossible to provide documentary evidence for matters relating to relatives who are deceased or live some distance away.*

*We need to see original documents, and these will be returned to you promptly – if you visit our office we will make copies and return them to you immediately.*

*Please complete your answer on a separate piece of paper if necessary and submit it with the form.*

***My connection is that I was baptised in the parish (by a C of E service/form of baptism)***

When were you baptised?

Where were you baptised?

What documentary or other information do you have for this? *(Please submit any copy of an entry in the baptism register, baptism certificate or other documents with this form)*

***My connection is that I have been confirmed (by a C of E service) and my confirmation is entered in a register belonging to a church or chapel in the parish***

When were you confirmed?

Where were you confirmed?

Who prepared you for confirmation?

In which register is your confirmation recorded? *(you may have been confirmed in a different church from the one you attended at the time – the register will be the one for YOUR church)*

What documentary or other information do you have as regards the registration of your confirmation? *(Please submit any copy of an entry in the confirmation register, certificate etc or other documents with this form)*

***My connection is that my parent or grandparent was married in the parish by a C of E service***

When and where did the marriage take place?

Please give names of the parties to the marriage, and state how the relevant party/parties are related to you.

What documentary or other information do you have for this? *(Please submit a copy of the relevant entry in the marriage register, marriage certificate or other documents with this form)*

***My connection is that I have had my usual place of residence in the parish for at least 6 months - This can apply whether or not you are still resident in the parish***

Please give

- Each address at which you have been resident in the parish, and
- The dates between which that address was/has been your usual place of residence

What documentary or other information do you have for the above? *(Please submit the documents with this form)*

***My connection is that my parent has had his or her usual place of residence in the parish for at least 6 months during my lifetime*** - this can apply whether or not your parent(s) is/are still resident in the parish

Please give:

- Each address at which a parent of yours has been resident in the parish;
- The name(s) of the parent(s) resident there; and
- The dates between which that address is/was his/her/their usual place of residence

What documentary or other information do you have for the above? *(Please submit the documents with this form)*

***My connection is that I have habitually attended public worship at C of E services in the parish for at least 6 months*** - this can apply whether or not you are still attending worship in the parish

When did you begin to attend public worship habitually in the parish?

If you no longer do so, when did you cease to do so?

*Please state:*

- Where you worshipped in the parish during this period;
- How often/on what occasions; and
- What types of services you attended.

What documentary or other information do you have for the above? *(Please submit the documents with this form)*

***My connection is that my parent has habitually attended public worship at C of E services in the parish for at least 6 months during my lifetime - This can apply whether or not your parent(s) is/are still attending worship in the parish***

When did your parent(s) begin to attend public worship habitually in the parish?

If that is no longer the case, when did it cease?

Please give his/her/their name(s) and his/her/their address(es) over that period

Please state:

Where he/she/they worshipped in the parish during that period

How often/on what occasions; and at what types of services?