



**St Leonard's Church, Chesham Bois**  
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**APPLICATION for ENROLMENT on  
 the CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

<b>Full Name</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>PostCode</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	

I declare that

1. I am baptized and am aged over 16 (or become 16<sup>1</sup> on .....
2. Tick ONE of the following 3 options:
  - I am a member of the Church of England (or a Church in Communion with the Church of England) and am resident in the parish.
  - I am a member of the Church of England (or a Church in Communion with the Church of England) and, not being resident in the parish<sup>2</sup>, I have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment.
  - I am a member in good standing of a Church not in communion with the Church of England which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and also declare myself to be a member of the Church of England and I have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the period of six months prior to enrolment.

I declare that the above answers are true and I apply for inclusion on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish.

<b>Signed</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Email Address</b>	
<b>Which service(s) do you regularly attend?</b>	

The following questions are not part of the Electoral Roll application, but are included as we are currently updating our records. You do not have to complete them, but it will help us if you do:

<sup>1</sup> Those who become 16 during the next 12 months may complete the form, and become eligible to be entered on the roll on their sixteenth birthday.  
<sup>2</sup> In this form 'parish' means an ecclesiastical parish.  
 Notification is hereby given, pursuant to the Data Protection Act 1994, that the details given above will be kept on record in a computer database.

**What is the Church Electoral Roll?**

**Why have one?**

It is your parish church's register of electors; it is the list of those qualified to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting where the elections take place for the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and the parish's representatives on the Deanery Synod.

Any person entitled to attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting may raise any question of parochial or general church interest.

In 2002 and every 6 years thereafter the electoral roll is renewed. In a year of renewal no names are carried over from the old roll and everyone must apply for inclusion on the new roll.

**What difference does it make?**

By enrolling you become a voting member of the Church of England and so help to ensure that all the synodical councils of the church – Parochial Church Council, Deanery Synod, Diocesan Synod, General Synod – are fully representative of its members.

Synodical government gives and opportunity for partnership between bishops, clergy, and laity in the life of the church; enables church people at every level to be in touch with the Church as a whole and to play their part in decision making; ensures the laity have their place in every aspect of church life, including its doctrine and services.

**The PCC sees a responsible member of St Leonard's as...**

1. Embracing the principles and values of the Diocesan SharingLife initiative;
2. Worshipping with God's people each week whenever possible;
3. Endeavouring to be disciplined in daily prayer and Bible study;
4. Belonging and relating to a small group in the church, if possible;
5. Using the gifts God has given us in active Christian ministry or service;
6. Contributing to the financial needs of the church in a responsible and carefully considered way;
7. Upholding St Leonard's, and especially the leaders, in prayer.

