

Electoral Roll Officer's Report April 2019

The Electoral Roll is the register of electors of our two churches of St Mark's and St Paul's. For this year, it is the same as the list of the members of our church association, giving the list of those qualified to vote at the Annual General Meeting of St Mark's church association where elections may be held for membership of the Parochial Church Council and for representation on the Archdeaconry Synod. Your membership therefore has an influence on the work of the chaplaincy and helps make our voice heard at Archdeaconry and Diocesan level.

As required by church rules, the electoral roll is valid for 6 years after which time it must be rebuilt from scratch, which is the case this year. The new list contains 79 members, a reduction of 3 on last year, and will be valid until 2025. It should be noted that support for St Mark's and St Paul's cannot be solely based on the people included on the electoral roll. There are several who fairly regularly attend services and other events who do not wish to be included on the roll; and there are people who consider St Mark's (or St Paul's) to be 'their church' but may not come regularly and are not on the roll.

Membership is open to all who have been baptised and are over 16. If you would like to be added to the electoral roll or wish to discuss this, please speak to Mike Hudson or Maggie Simmons who will give you the necessary forms and be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Maggie Simmons