

PLEASE NOTE

To avoid repetition within the four parish profiles, where information is contained in the Benefice brochure we have referred to the relevant sections of the brochure

Parish Profile

This form is designed to give an overview of a parish to be used in a vacancy for the appointment of a new parish priest. It will be accepted as the "statement describing the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish" required by the Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986. Additional information may be given by way of printed documents or written submissions.

Please write in black ink

I. ONE – Parish Information

1.1(a)	Name of parish(es) to which this information relates:	Preston-under-Scar with Wensley
1.1(b)	Name(s) of parish church(es):	St. Margaret's – Preston-under-Scar Holy Trinity – Wensley – note – which is in the ownership of the Churches Conservation Trust ('C.C.T.')
1.2	Name(s) of other C. of E. church(es) and centres for public worship in the parish:	N/A
1.3	Cluster or group of parishes within which you work (formally or) informally:	Penhill Benefice
1.4	Deanery:	Wensley
1.5	Population: <i>The 2011 census information gives the following figures. Please indicate how this might have changed since then.</i>	319 – negligible change

1.6(a)	Number on Electoral Roll:	21
1.6(b)	Date of A.P.C.M. when this number was declared:	15 th April 2018

1.7 Attendance at worship in each church

Please provide details of average attendance at Sunday and weekday services

Church/Service	Time	No. of communicants	Adult attendance	Under 16
Sunday – H./C. or M./P. (Only)	9.30 A.M.	8	9	0

1.8 Occasional offices

Number for last 12 months in each church

Church	Baptisms	Confirmees	Weddings	Funerals in church	Funerals taken by clergy not in church
St. Margaret's	0	0	0	1	0
Holy Trinity	0	0	0	4	0

1.9 Communications

Names, Addresses & Telephone Numbers for each church

Church	Clergy	Lay worship leader	Lay staff e.g. Youth worker, Administrator	Churchwardens
St. Margaret's, Preston-under-Scar, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4AN. Holy Trinity, Wensley, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4HJ.	Penny Yeadon Associate Vicar: Dale Cottage, Aysgarth, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 3AB. 01969 663505	Gill Forrest Dale House Preston-under-Scar, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4AJ. 01969 624110 AND – Note also Hertfordshire.	Christine Gard Benefice Administrator: Penhill Benefice Office, The Coach House, Swinithwaite, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4UH. 01969 663097	Judith Greenwood, Westfield House, Wensley, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4AA. 01969 625150

II. TWO – Parish/Community Information

2.1(a)	Briefly describe the population mix of the(se) parish(es) in terms of its employment, cultural, ethnic, age and housing mix.	<p>Parish: locally employed – many longstanding local families – no ethnic mix – significant proportion of retired.</p> <p>Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 3 – ‘Who we are’ and ‘Employment’</p>
2.1(b)	Are there any special social problems (e.g. high unemployment)?	<p>Parish: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 3 – ‘Who we are’</p> <p>Benefice: As above</p>
2.2	<p>Please list for each</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Schools: • Youth centres: • Hospitals: • Nursing/elderly persons' homes: • Places of worship of other faiths • Local Businesses: • Neighbourhood initiatives: • Associations e.g. tourist group: • Describe any civic responsibilities which the clergy have: 	<p>Parish / Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 3 – ‘Our benefice’</p> <p>As above</p> <p>As above</p> <p>As above</p> <p>As above</p> <p>None in the parish</p> <p>No businesses of any significance in the parish</p> <p>Various activities using the two village halls – the halls in Preston and Wensley are well used.</p> <p>Parish - none</p> <p>N/A</p>

III. THREE – Church Information

Please give details for each church – N. B. details below for Preston and Wensley combined.

3.1(a)	What percentage of the congregation lives outside the parish?	15%
3.1(b)	Describe the mix of the congregation in terms of age, employment, cultural, ethnicity, age and gender.	Aged: 0 to 17 = 0% Aged: 18 to 69 = 50% Aged: 70 plus = 50% Self-employed or retired (often) professionals British / white Gender = 66% female / 33% male
3.2(a)	How would you describe the churchmanship tradition of each church and give details of robes and vestments worn by officiants?	Plain and simple – very welcoming – only ordained clergy use vestments
3.2(b)	What is the regular average weekly giving of those 16 years and over and what proportion of the giving is gift aided?	Purely collections at services averaged £76.75 for year ending 31 st December 2018 – prior to tax refund which is awaiting calculation.
3.2(c)	When did you last have a stewardship campaign?	2014 – with considerable success
3.3	How does each Church supplement its direct giving in order to meet its financial needs?	St. Margaret's – due to size and lack of facilities the church cannot be let for events. Holy Trinity – the involvement of the C.C.T. – is a major complication – there is an intention to try to increase the usage for events.
3.4(a)	What amount of working expenses were paid to the clergy in the last financial year?	£2,361.00 was paid during year ending 31 st December 2018
3.4(b)	Were these met in full?	Yes

3.4(c)	Is there an annual discussion about level of expenses as part of the P.C.C.'s budgeting process?	Yes – with the treasurer keeping the P.C.C. well informed.
3.5(a)	What amount of Share has (a) been requested; and (b) been paid from the parish in: Previous year – 2017 Last year – 2018 Current year – 2019	2017 – £7,466 – Paid in full 2018 – £8,213 – Paid in full 2019 – £9,034 – To be paid in full
3.5(b)	Will this year's (2019) be met?	Yes – as per above
3.6(a)	Is there any capital project in hand at the moment?	St. Margaret's – Certain maintenance works following the quinquennial – working on roof and damp internal plasterwork plus minor reorganisation of internal fixtures and fittings. Holy Trinity – Not at present – completing the organ restoration is an objective – albeit the C.C.T. are more interested in the roof.
3.6(b)	Please give brief details with costs and state how they are to be met.	Between £2,500 / £5,000 – from any income surplus / invested funds.
3.7	Please attach a copy of the last P.C.C. accounts.	2018 attached.
3.8(a)	What is the general state of repair of: the Church(es) - <i>please list</i>	St. Margaret's – good subject to 3.6 (a) above albeit the facilities are minimal – there is no water supply or associated facilities. Holy Trinity – this is a major historic church – Grade 1 listed – in the care of the C.C.T. – parish efforts have raised £20,000 for restoration of the organ which is a high quality and significant instrument of historic note.
3.8(b)	Please give details of major maintenance needed following the last quinquennial.	St. Margaret's – Last quinquennial 10 th April 2017: various minor tasks – see 3.6(a) above and various other desirable but non-essential suggestions – a faculty application is being processed at present (February 2019).

		Holy Trinity – N/A – C.C.T. responsible
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IV. FOUR – Outreach and Mission

4.1(a)	What are the regular mission and outreach activities of the parish?	Parish: Limited – due to small size of congregation. Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 4 – ‘Our churches’.
4.1(b)	What are you doing to help people find out about Jesus?	Parish: The church is open 24 hours – notices are kept up to date internal and external. Benefice: As above.
4.1(c)	What are you doing to help grow people in discipleship?	Parish: Limited
4.1(d)	What are you doing to grow people in leadership?	Benefice: As above.
4.2(a)	Please give details of the support of the Church overseas:	Parish: Supports Mary’s Meals
4.2(b)	How much is given annually?	Parish: In total for year ending 31 st December 2018 – £1,253 – which is 6.9% of total annual income
4.3(a)	Give details of the support for home missions and charities:	Parish: Within the above figure
4.3(b)	How much is given annually?	Parish: Within the above figure
4.4(a)	Does the parish have an overseas link?	Mary’s Meals
4.4(b)	If so, please state where/who?	The parish has a direct connection with the founder of Mary’s Meals rather than a direct connection with a geographical location.

4.5(a)	Is there an organised system of outreach and welcome to new families?	Limited – however due to the small size of the two villages and low turnover of households it is not difficult for a member of the P.C.C. to introduce themselves informally.
4.5(b)	If so, please describe:	The Benefice bi-monthly magazine, the 'Penhill Beacon', is delivered to all households in both villages.
4.6	What part does the church play in community care?	Limited – due to small size of congregation.

4.7(a)	Are there any Lay Eucharistic Assistants who take communion to the sick?	No
4.7(b)	If so, who are they?	N/A
4.8	What work does the church undertake with young people, other than in church based organisations (e.g. open youth work)?	Parish / Benefice: As above.

V. FIVE – Ecumenical Relations

5.1(a)	State involvement in local Council of Churches:	None
5.1(b)	Is there a formal covenant with any other denomination?	<p>Parish: None – our two churches are the only places of worship in the parish.</p> <p>Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 4 – ‘Our mission and outreach’</p>
5.2	What informal ecumenical contacts are there?	<p>Parish: Good due to two members of the congregation being married to members of the Roman Catholic church and thereby attending at both Leyburn and Ulshaw R.C. services.</p> <p>Benefice: As above.</p>

VI. SIX – Church Education and Social Provision

6.1(a)	Name of Church School(s) if applicable:	Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 1 – ‘What we would like from you’
6.1(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aided? • Controlled? • Foundation? 	As above.
6.1(c)	Number of pupils on roll (approx.)?	As above.
6.1(d)	If aided, does the PCC support the school?	As above.

VII. SEVEN – Lay Education and Participation

7.1	<p>What education and training work takes place in the Church for the following (give approximate numbers):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children • Young People • Adults 	<p>Parish: None</p> <p>Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 4 – ‘Children and young people’ As above. As above.</p>
7.2(a)	Give details of house/prayer groups:	<p>Parish: None</p> <p>Benefice: Prayer fellowship, Men’s breakfast Advent and Lent courses.</p>
7.2(b)	Are the leaders clergy or lay?	Mainly lay
7.3(a)	How do you rate the strength of lay leadership?	<p>Parish: Good</p> <p>Benefice: Good. We have an established and active team of lay worship leaders who work well, both together and with the clergy, to serve all the churches in the Benefice.</p>
7.3(b)	To what do you credit this strength, or lack of it?	<p>Parish / Benefice: The strength is due to the individual commitment, supportive teamwork and the variety of skills it has to offer.</p>

VIII. EIGHT – Mission

8.1	List areas of Church life which you consider in need of development.	<p>Parish: We have approximately 30 people in total who help with the churches' cleaning / flowers etc. however, despite goodwill, we do not see them at services and their attendance would be a significant boost.</p> <p>Benefice: Outreach, especially pastoral care for the elderly – converting the goodwill towards the church into active attendance and participation.</p>
8.2	What are the main areas of mission that you think the new priest should prioritise in their ministry?	See 8.1 and 8.3
8.3	In summary, what are the top three challenges with which you and the new priest need to engage?	<p>Parish / Benefice: First – Dealing with the problems of the ageing profile of parishioners and the resulting increased pastoral care required – Second – finding a solution to the lack of youthful entrants – Third – resolving the administrative burdens which inevitably fall upon a decreasing number of persons able to assist.</p>

IX. NINE – Additional information.

Please add here, or on another sheet, anything else which you would like the Patron and the Bishop to know about the conditions, needs and traditions of the parish.

Parish: None to offer – the Benefice brochure encompasses any further points.

X. TEN – The New Priest

List the qualities and skills you would like to see in the new priest.

Parish: Whereas we endorse the comments included within the Benefice brochure referred to below containing the hopes and wishes of our colleagues in the other three parishes our principal dilemma is growing our congregation to a more viable size. The most significant quality on that score for our purely selfish needs is a combination of enthusiasm and willingness to try different approaches towards solving that problem whatever they may be.

Benefice: Please refer to the Benefice brochure – Section 1 – ‘What we would like form you’, also the Person specification and the Role description.

Agreed by the P.C.C. of

..... *Preston under Scar with Wensley*

on *10th April 2019*

Signed: *Hilary GriseWood*

Print Name: *HILARY GRISEWOOD*

Office Held: *Secretary PCC*

This form, duly completed, should be sent to:

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Ms. Thorley will circulate copies to the Patron, Bishop and Archdeacon.

***Please keep copies of this form
and ensure that all P.C.C. members have a signed copy.***