



THE DIOCESE OF LEICESTER

PETITION FOR A FACULTY TO INTRODUCE PARISH CHURCHYARD REGULATIONS

PLEASE USE CAPITAL LETTERS

To the Consistory Court of the Diocese of Leicester

Parish of

Church of

Petitioners:

FULL NAME	RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (including postcode)	OFFICE HELD (e.g. Churchwarden)

Please indicate here which of the above should be regarded as the contact address. A telephone number and email address should also be provided where possible.

Usually the minister and churchwardens should be the petitioners. Where that is not the case, please provide an explanation here (including details of the interest which it is said that a person who is not the minister or a churchwarden has in the matter).

We petition as follows:

- 1. The Petitioners seek a Faculty authorising the introduction of Parish Churchyard Regulations.**
- 2. The Parish Churchyard Regulations shall comprise:**
 - a. the Diocese of Leicester Churchyard Regulations 2025 dated 22 September 2025 (the ‘Diocesan Regulations’) together with the amendment(s) set out in the Schedule to this Petition (the ‘Schedule’); and**
 - b. any subsequent amendment, variation or replacement of the Diocesan Regulations made by the Diocesan Chancellor that does not conflict with the amendment(s) set out in the Schedule,**

until further Order.
- 3. The following are sent with this Petition:**
 - a. details, including any relevant photographs, of the churchyard and the memorials that it contains and any relevant features of such memorials; and**
 - b. an explanation in the form of a statement or letter setting out the need for the proposed amendments to the Diocesan Regulations, together with any further information that the Petitioners wish to be considered.**
- 4. The Parochial Church Council at its meeting on _____ passed [unanimously] [without dissent] [by a majority of [] to [] among those present and voting] a resolution relating to the adoption of the Parish Churchyard Regulations. A certified copy of such resolution signed by the [Chair] [Secretary] is attached to this Petition. There are [] members of the Council.**

The Statements in this Petition are true to the best of the knowledge and belief of each one of us.

Dated:20

Signed:

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(Signature of each Petitioner)



SCHEDULE:

AMENDMENTS TO DIOCESAN CHURCHARD REGULATIONS

This should set out the relevant Diocesan Regulation by number and paragraph and show the extent to which this Regulation is to be varied for the parish churchyard.

Paragraph of Regulations to be amended	To permit



GUIDANCES NOTES

1. Please complete page 1 and the Schedule.
2. Please complete the PCC resolution details in paragraph 4 on page 2, deleting those parts which do not apply.
3. Please date the Petition at page 2.
4. Each Petitioner whose details appear on page 1 must sign the Petition on page 2.
5. The following must be sent with the Petition:
 - a. details of the churchyard and the memorials that it contains;
 - b. details of any relevant features of such memorials;
 - c. any relevant photographs;
 - d. a letter or statement setting out the need for the proposed amendments to the Diocesan Regulations set out in the Schedule, together with any further information that the Petitioners wish to be considered;
 - e. a certified copy of the PCC resolution referred to at paragraph 4 on page 2, signed by either the Chair or Secretary; and
 - f. cheque in payment of the statutory petition fee of £342.60, payable to 'Stone King LLP'.
6. The Petition and its enclosures should be sent directly to the Diocesan Registrar, Lee Coley:

c/o Stone King, Boundary House, 91 Charterhouse Street, London EC1M 6HR
7. A copy of the Petition and its accompanying documents may be scanned and sent to registry@stoneking.co.uk with the hardcopy petition and supporting documents following in the post to the address given in 6 above.
8. It is possible to pay the statutory petition fee by bank transfer. Please email registry@stoneking.co.uk to request details.