



**The Eighth Meeting of General Members of  
the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (2016)**

**Meeting at 3.30pm on Wednesday 11 September, 2024  
in the Grain Barn at Rycote Park (by kind invitation of Bernard and Sarah Taylor).**

This Meeting marks 60 years since the original founding of Trust. Bernard and Sarah cordially invite all to stay to celebrate at a reception after the meeting.

So that we can judge numbers, please book a ticket (either for the Meeting or for the Meeting+Reception) via the website at [www.ohct.org.uk/events/](http://www.ohct.org.uk/events/). Thanks to the generosity of our hosts, we do not need to make any charge, but please consider making a donation which will be used entirely for the work of the Trust.

Arrivals from 3:00 pm, when light refreshments will be available.

Please park in the Chapel car-park: there is just a short walk downhill to the Grain Barn.

Directions – postcode for Rycote Park: OX9 2PE. Arrive via the A329 ('Rycote Lane', which runs between Thame and Little Milton).

- Coming from the South, leave the M40 at Junction 7 and turn right onto the A329 towards Thame.
- Coming from Oxford and the North, *note there is no southbound exit from the motorway at Junction 7*; so drive via Junction 8A of the M40 (the Oxford Services Area) and take the A418 (signposted to Thame), then turn right after about 1000 yds onto the A40, follow it to the junction with the A329, and turn left onto the A329 towards Thame.

**See Agenda overleaf**

Members should feel free to ask questions either at the meeting or before. It is helpful for the Trustees in collecting relevant information, if the question or topic can be indicated in advance by e-mailing the [Secretary@ohct.org.uk](mailto:Secretary@ohct.org.uk).

## AGENDA

*The Bishop of Dorchester, Bishop Gavin Collins, President of the Trust,  
will be in the Chair*

### **The President's opening remarks**

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Trust held on Monday, 24 July, 2023
3. Report from the Chair
4. Treasurer's Report
5. To receive the Trustees' Statutory Annual Report\* for the year ended 31 March 2024
6. To receive the audited Accounts\* for the year ended 31 March 2024
7. Ride and Stride Report
8. Overview of grants in the year
9. Election of President for the year to the end of the Annual Meeting 2023.  
Bishop Gavin has indicated that he is willing to be proposed as President for 2024-25.
10. A.O.B (please give notice if you have an item) and Close of Meeting

\*Copies of the statutory annual report and audited accounts are not being circulated, but please see them on the Trust's website (link on the Homepage). A small number of printed copies will be available for reference at the meeting.

**After formal business, there will be about an hour in which you are encouraged to visit the gardens, grounds and the Chapel. Evensong will be said at approximately 5.30 pm in the Chapel for those wishing to attend. Drinks and canapés will then follow, finishing by 7 pm. We are especially grateful to Bernard and Sarah Taylor for their generous hospitality.**

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*Under the 2016 Constitution:*

*"The charity trustees shall invite all General Members to an Annual Meeting to review the work of the charity and advise the Trustees and Council. The President of the charity, or in his absence the chair of trustees, shall preside. The Annual Meeting shall in particular:*

- a) be informed of any change of the charity trustees or of its Officers since the last Annual General Meeting;*
- b) receive the latest charity trustees' Annual Report;*
- c) receive the latest annual accounts of the CIO; and*
- d) elect the President of the charity to serve till the end of the following Annual Meeting.*

*"The Annual Meeting shall consider any resolutions regarding the running of the CIO and may pass them by consensus or, if a vote is demanded, by a majority of those General Members present and voting; the charity trustees shall take note of such Resolutions in discharging their functions and duties."*