



**The ninth meeting of General Members of the  
Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (2016) will be held  
from 3.30pm on Tuesday 22 July, 2025**

**in DORCHESTER ABBEY by kind permission of the PCC**

Light refreshments from 3:30 pm: the meeting starts at 4:00 pm

*Address: Dorchester Abbey, High St, Dorchester, Wallingford OX10 7HH.*

*Parking is available at the roadside in the village: please take care to leave sufficient space for large vehicles to pass through. If you drive into Dorchester from the North, the Abbey is at the far end of the High Street a little before you reach the beginning of the bridge over the Thames, and additional parking is clearly visible to the side of the bridge (turn half-right where the bridge starts.*

*(There is space by the Abbey for no more than three cars for disabled members: please arrange this in advance by emailing [chair@ohct.org.uk](mailto:chair@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 Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2024
3. Matters arising
4. Report from the Chair (*Dr Stephen Goss*)
5. Treasurer's Report (*Giles Dessain*)
6. To receive the Trustees' Statutory Annual Report\* for the year ended 31 March 2025
7. To receive the audited Accounts\* for the year ended 31 March 2025
8. Ride and Stride Report (*Hilary CakebreadHall*)
9. Overview of grants in the year (*Cynthia Robinson*)

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10. Election of President for the year to the end of the Annual Meeting 2026. Bishop Gavin has indicated that he is willing to be proposed as President for 2025-6

11. A.O.B.

Please give notice to the Secretary ([secretary@ohct.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ohct.org.uk)) if you have an item.

12. Close of Meeting

After the formal business, there will be a guided tour of the Abbey. Evensong will be led by the Rector, The Revd Jane Willis, at approximately 5.30 pm in the Abbey for those wishing to attend. Drinks and canapés will then follow, finishing by 7pm.

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\* The Annual Review - on the web (link from “News and Announcements” on the Homepage), and to be circulated by post - contains a convenient summary of the accounts for the year.

\* Copies of the full Statutory Annual Report and audited accounts are bulky and so are not circulated, but please see them on the Trust’s website (follow the link for this Meeting under “News and Announcements” on the Homepage of the website). A small number of printed copies will be available for reference at the meeting.

*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.”*