

WHAT TO DO WITH THE RECORDS OF PARISH ORGANISATIONS

Parish organisations have a tendency to come and go over time. Try to identify all those which have been in your area over the life of the parish. Annual reports are a very useful way of finding this information, and requests in both parish and community newsletters will often result in additional records being found.

The records of these groups will come from all sorts of places, and trying to maintain original order is not always possible, but should be considered the ideal.

Parish organisations may include

- Choir
- Sunday school
- Bible Class
- Mothers' Union
- AAW
- Young Wives Group
- Ladies Guild
- Sanctuary Guild
- Sewing Guild
- Fair Committee
- Church of England Men's Society
- Anglican Bible Class Union
- Badminton Club
- Indoor Bowls Club
- Girl Guides – brownies, guides, rangers
- Boy Scouts – cubs, scouts, senior scouts
- Missionary Associations



Records of these groups may include

- Agenda, minutes, reports
- Correspondence
- Financial records
- Membership lists
- Memorabilia, including cups, banners, badges, tablecloths
- Records of inter-group competitions, eg tennis