

# How to join

## Summary

### 1. Discuss & Decide:

- The church's trustee body (PCC or equivalent) must pass a resolution supporting the **Inclusive Church Statement of Belief** - see website for more info.
- This should be done after a deliberate process of consultation and discussion with the whole congregation, allowing time to reflect, discern and discuss inclusivity.

### 2. Eligibility:

- The church must **regularly** meet for **public worship**.
- Appropriate **safeguarding** policies for children and vulnerable adults must be in place and publicly available.

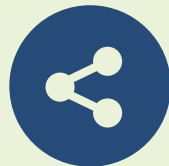
### 3. Application:

- Submit an application, which will be reviewed for approval by the Inclusive Church board of trustees during their bi-monthly meetings. (It may take longer at busy times of year). The board will let you know once approved. We also ask that applying churches make a financial donation.

### 4. After Registration:

- Tell people! Get your church(es) added to the **IC directory** and update publicity to include the IC logo.
- Receive regular updates and newsletters.
- **Engage** with the network through events, resources, and promoting Inclusive Church within your community.
- Regularly reflect and **review** your response to issues of inclusivity and accessibility, ensuring it remains a live topic.

For further details or assistance with the registration process, contact Inclusive Church on [office@inclusive-church.org](mailto:office@inclusive-church.org) or visit [www.inclusive-church.org](http://www.inclusive-church.org)



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# Why join IC

## We are stronger together

**Inclusive Church is a network of churches, groups, and individuals united by a shared vision.** We believe in building and being a church that celebrates and affirms every person, without discrimination.

Founded in 2003, Inclusive Church is an **ecumenical** network that embraces a diverse range of worship styles and Christian traditions. We recognise that **inclusion is a journey** and an attitude, not a fixed destination; which involves listening, learning, and evolving along the way.

**Joining the Inclusive Church Network is a statement of intent and commitment to this journey.** We strive to unite rather than divide. We work towards a more positive, inclusive, and welcoming church where all are truly welcome. Our website offers **resources** and **guides** for individuals, church leaders, and communities to support and equip them on this path. Recognising it can be hard and lonely work we also collaborate with partner organisations focused on specific issues, engaging theologically, prayerfully, and creatively with the topic of inclusion, signposting advice and celebrating achievements.

**We invite you to join in the conversation  
+ journey with us.**



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