

You may be aware that on 31 January 2011, new terms of service come into affect for all stipendiary clergy. This means that all stipendiary clergy who are currently priest-in-charge will automatically move to be employed under what is known as Common Tenure. This also applies to all those who currently have freehold and have volunteered to give that freehold up.

This change brings employment rights to clergy as well as responsibilities.

Part of the role of PCC and Church Wardens is to support clergy in the mission and ministry of the church. Therefore, I would like to invite you, and any others on your PCC, to hear a presentation on Common Tenure on the evening of 14 September 2010, beginning at 7.30 pm. The meeting will be held at Cotham Parish Church Hall, St Mary and St Saviour Church, Cotham Road, BS6 6DR, 0117-9733395.

Archdeacon Alan Hawker will present the changes that clergy should already be aware of and there will be an opportunity to ask questions. We hope that you will be able to join us.