

Revd. Preb Pat Hawkins

Vicar of Ellesmere, North Shropshire

Why I am standing for re-election:

- I am passionate about helping the Church of England to live out the good news of the Kingdom in the urgent concerns of our world, locally and globally.
- I believe that General Synod should be diverse and properly representative, and that within that there is a role for age and experience.
- I believe that the grassroots voice of the Church, clerical as well as lay, brings an important dimension to shaping the future.
- I believe in an inclusive church which finds its unity in Christ and can accept difference.

What I would bring:

- A deep love for the Church of England, without illusion about its flaws and failings
- A wide range of experience over twenty years of ordained ministry in Lichfield Diocese; I have served in all three Episcopal areas, in urban and rural parishes and on the staff of the Cathedral.
- A commitment to working well across “party” lines; I have learned the importance of this as an ordained woman within the Catholic tradition of the Church of England
- Familiarity with the structures of Church Governance; I have been a member of Diocesan Synods since my curacy and of General Synod since 2010. I am currently the chair of the Diocesan Advisory Committee.
- An interest in legislation and how it serves the mission and ministry of the Church.
- A capacity to find my way through a mass of paperwork.
- Above all and in all the above: trust in the Lord who loves us and gives Himself for us.

I am very happy to respond to questions: pathawkins59@icloud.com