

mission by engaging with public issues and concerns of all kinds. MPA's small team of specialist advisers and the Parliamentary Unit provide briefings and research, maintain links with politicians and offers practical support in the complex job of communicating the church's message in today's society.

Shared Services Departments **£4,350,000**

The new CofE website was launched in January 2011 and continued use made of Youtube, Twitter, blogs and social media

The Archbishops' Council is supported in its work by the National Church Institutions' (NCIs) Shared Services Departments - Communications Office, Legal Office, Finance & Resources (including the National Stewardship and Resources Officer), Human Resources, IT & Office Services, Records and Internal Audit. This budget also includes the Council's share of accommodation costs at Church House.

The Finance and Resources Department has appointed two Procurement Officers (funded by the Church Commissioners) to identify, in partnership with dioceses, opportunities to negotiate purchasing deals on behalf of the wider church and to promote their take-up in parishes.

The Council will also provide a share of the NCI costs of the new *People & Pay* IT project that will replace old databases & payroll systems for clergy and staff (including Crockfords and the Ministry Division).

Grants - **£1,376,000**

The Grants budget provides the contributions of the National Church to the Anglican Communion and ecumenical activities through grants to various bodies. The budget also contributes towards the ecclesiastical legal costs fund for clergy.

Mission Agencies Pension Contributions - **£685,000**

Pension contributions for clergy employed by mission agencies (the only direct national financial support the Church gives to these agencies). Since the reserves for this item are above the Council's guidelines, some of them will be used in 2012, which reduces the amount required from dioceses.

CHARM - **£3,586,300**

The Church's Housing Assistance for the Retired Ministry (CHARM) scheme helps retiring clergy with housing where needed. Since 2005 the majority of costs of running the scheme, and part of the grant funding to enable clergy contributions to their housing costs to be capped, have been met by dioceses.

The Church Commissioners provided the majority of the capital for the scheme until July 2010 and the Pension Board has arranged replacement funding.

This fund helps your clergy in retirement. Further details of the scheme can be found at www.cofe.anglican.org/about/cepb/housing/

All departments can be found at:

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For further information:

www.cofe.anglican.org/about/archbishops council

Or email: archbishops council@c-of-e.org.uk



Archbishops' Council

Who are we?

The Archbishops' Council was set up in 1999 following a review of how central policy and resources in the Church of England worked and how these functions could be more effective. The Council's main objective is to "*co-ordinate, promote, aid and further the work and mission of the Church of England*".

For a full list of members see:

<http://www.cofe.anglican.org/about/archbishops council.aspx>

Budget 2012 -

What are the dioceses paying for?

The work of the Archbishops' Council is funded by the dioceses of the Church of England through income from their parishes (Parish Share). Your church's contribution is vital and we receive between 3 and 10 pence in every pound from your dioceses' expenditure, depending on their resources. **Thank You!**

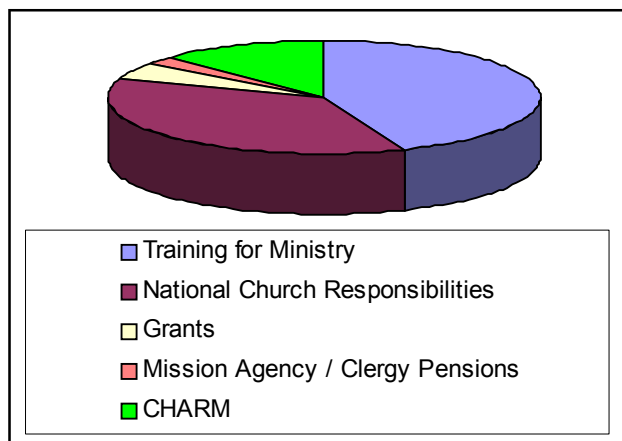
The Archbishops' Council set a financial strategy in the light of the economic situation, that in 2011 and 2012 the sums required from dioceses should increase by no more than 0.5% below the rate of inflation, and by no more than inflation in the following three years. This has been achieved in the budget for 2012, with an increase of 1.8% compared with projected inflation at 3.4% (RPI).

Take a look to see what your money helps to deliver.



The Budget by Item

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| ◆ Training for Ministry | £12,610,000 |
| ◆ National Church Responsibilities | £10,392,700 |
| ◆ Grants | £ 1,376,000 |
| ◆ Mission Agency Pension Contributions | £ 685,000 |
| ◆ CHARM (Clergy Retirement Housing) | £ 3,586,300 |



Training for Ministry - £12,610,000

In 2012 some 520 men and women will be ordained as curates

With the background of a drive to encourage younger candidates the budget includes a contingency of £193,000, which would enable an additional 13 full-time students to undertake college-based training. The Council has also allocated £90,000 from legacy receipts to fund a part-time post to develop vocations amongst the young.

Clergy are trained on a range of theological courses - residential, regional courses (for those combining study, existing work and home life) and mixed mode training, which carries on for two years after ordination. Your contribution helps cover the tuition costs, university fees and some maintenance for sponsored ordinands.

National Church Responsibilities - £10,392,700

This covers the work that is considered most effectively and efficiently carried out at national level to support the Church's mission.

Central Secretariat - £1,833,000

(including the Council for Christian Unity (CCU) and Research & Statistics)

More than 4 in 10 in England regard themselves as belonging to the Church of England

Central Secretariat supports the work of General Synod (the Church's Parliament), the Archbishops' Council, the House of Bishops and other central Commissions, committees and permanent bodies. The CCU provides advice on unity issues and fosters national ecumenical work. The Research and Statistics Department provides important resources in their area across the whole Church.

Ministry Division - £1,334,000

There are 1,244 in training for the ordained ministry and 1,150 in Reader Training

The Division plays a vital role in the training and continuing ministerial education (CME) of Clergy and Readers; providing officer support for college and course inspections and runs 48 selection conferences a year for those considering ordination. Its work includes deployment strategy.

It will also be key in encouraging and fostering *Young Vocations* in the Church.

Education - £695,000

Nearly one in five primary school children are educated in Church of England schools

In a year of unprecedented change for schools, work

has been focused on negotiation with Government over the implications of the Academies' programme for church schools. Major legal documentation and protocols for dioceses to adapt have been developed and face to face support for Department for Education & Schools set up.

Cathedral & Church Buildings - £869,000

CCB continues to encourage churches to remain open in every possible way, often for community use

CCB exists to encourage the care, use and development of cathedral and church buildings for worship, mission and service in the community by co-ordinating national church policy; leading Church campaigning including lobbying Government departments and other bodies; advising cathedrals, dioceses and parishes; issuing guidelines on the work of Diocesan Advisory Committees (DACs); successfully campaigning to retain the £12M Listed Places of Worship grant scheme; administering conservation grant funds.

See: www.churchcare.co.uk or www.churchart.co.uk

Mission & Public Affairs - £1,311,000

MPA will continue to lead the Church's response to the growing secularism of public life and to bring Christian ethics to bear on issues in society.

The role of MPA is to represent the national church to national institutions; to add value to the work of dioceses and parishes through carefully targeted mission initiatives; to support areas of church life and membership which are in danger of marginalisation.

This includes supporting bishops who lead in