The Church of England has over 10,000 churches in rural areas and 40% of those who attend church go to rural churches. We are committed to supporting rural churches in their mission and helping them to grow.

Exterior view of Holy Trinity Long Itchington

Helen Ashbourne

We have a dedicated National Rural Officer who provides advice, consultancy and training for dioceses. Use the contact form at the bottom of this page to get in touch.

Read our new Learning from Creative Thinking and Planning for Rural Mission and Growth report

How we can help

- Advice and expertise on rural communities, mission, growth, discipleship, and ministry.
- Support for multi-parish benefices and large groups of rural churches
- Training for rural ministry
- We also provide training, resources and practical support for rural churches and congregations with our ecumenical partners through Germinate: Arthur Rank Centre
- Take a look at Country Way magazine especially for rural churches.

Find out more about the Rural Affairs Group and how it helps rural churches and their congregations.

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