**Authorisation letter**

To whom it may concern,

One of the Church of England’s major concerns is to help young people become rooted in the Christian faith so that they grow in relationship with God and God’s church. As such, the Church of England’s Education Office is embarking on a major research project which will help better understand the factors that contribute towards children and young people developing long lasting relationships with the Church.

It is our intention to interview both young people and parents. We are most interested in talking with young people aged 16-30 about their faith and experiences in the church as they enter adulthood. We believe parents will also have important insights regardless of whether their children still attend church or not.

We would like to invite your church to take part in this research, as one of a very small sample of churches across the country. By selecting a small number of very different types of church we will be able to better understand why some young adults become ‘rooted’ in the church and others do not. This is a crucial way of saving scarce resources and considerably more efficient than sending questionnaires to all churches. However, to ensure the research is reliable it is vital that those churches who are invited agree to participate!

I would therefore be extremely grateful if you could agree for our partner, Research by Design, who are conducting this work on our behalf, to visit your church to conduct interviews with members of your congregation. This would be arranged on a Sunday of your convenience during the months of August, September, and October. It is my hope that you will welcome the visitor on this date and perhaps mark the occasion by making childhood/adolescence a theme of that service. We will send you a pack of materials prior to the date for your consideration.

During the course of the year we will also be setting up an innovative ‘online community’, allowing us to open up conversations with young people in a variety of settings using a smartphone technique. We believe this will be a particularly exciting way for young people to engage with the project and talk about their faith. A selection of young people in your congregation will also offered this. Needless to say, I can assure you that all surveys connected with this project will be returned centrally and treated confidentially.

To confirm your participation in this important project could you please visit the following website and fill in some details, (http://www.researchbydesign.co.uk/surveys/cofe) Research by Design will then be in touch to let you know the name of researcher who will visit. If you would like some more practical information first then please contact Dave Ruston or Amelia Cornish on 0121 643 9090

If you have any queries about the overall project do feel free to contact Mary Hawes, National Children and Youth Adviser on 020 7898 1504 or mary.hawes@churchofengland.org

Yours,

[Signature]

R: Revd Stephen Conway,
Lead Bishop for the Church of England Education Office and Chair of The National Society
Postcards

**Face to face**

Do you have children aged 11-30?
Tell us what you think!

Get involved at
www.researchbydesign.co.uk/rooted

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**
The Church of England has launched a major study to learn about how young people develop lasting relationships with the Church.

To achieve this, we are asking parents around the country about the ways in which their children have connected with churches and the factors which determine this relationship.

If you have a child aged 11-30 years, we need to hear your views - even if they no longer attend a church. The survey is completely anonymous. We know your time is precious, so as a thank you, everyone who gives their views will get the chance to win an iPad mini.

So please, visit www.researchbydesign.co.uk/rooted and complete the survey. Your voice is invaluable for the success of this important study!

Self-completion

**Aged 16-30?**
We need to hear your voice!

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**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND**
We want to learn what makes you an active member of your congregation, what you love (and don’t love) about your church, how rooted you feel in your faith and where you feel you are going as a young Christian. If you don’t attend very often these days, we would still love to hear your views!

The Church of England has launched a major study of young people and their relationship with their church.

Don’t worry, the survey won’t take long and it is completely anonymous. But we do need to hear from you! We know your time is precious, so as a thank you, everyone who gives their views will get the chance to win an iPad mini.

So please, visit www.researchbydesign.co.uk/rooted and complete our online survey. This is your chance to shape the Church’s future!

**Young people in the church**
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Are you a parent of children aged 11-30?
We are also asking parents around the country to tell us about the ways in which their children have connected with churches and the factors which determine this relationship.

Our major national study is now live and completely anonymous. We know your time is precious, so as a thank you, everyone who gives their views will get the chance to win an iPad mini.

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The Church of England is embarking on a major new project to better understand, which features contribute to long lasting relationships between children and young people and the Church.

Complete our ‘Rooted in the Church’ survey and help us see the bigger picture!

**Are you aged 16-30?**

Whether you still attend church or no longer attend—we’d love to hear from you!

*If you attend, we want to understand what you like (and don’t like) about your church, how rooted you feel in your faith and what makes you an active member of your congregation.*

*If you don’t attend we’d still love to hear from you, to understand more about your journey as a young Christian.*

**Do you have children aged 11-30?**

It doesn’t matter if your children still attend church or not.

We’d like to hear about how your children connected with the church and what factors determined this relationship.

Get involved at: www.churchofengland.org/rooted

As a thank you for your time, completing the survey you’ll be entered into a prize draw to win an iPad mini!
Study information leaflet

What is the purpose of the study?
The Church of England has launched a major study to learn about how young people develop lasting relationships with the Church. To achieve this, we are asking parents around the country to tell us about the ways in which their children have connected with churches and the factors which determine this relationship. We also want to learn from young people themselves about what makes them an active member of your congregation (or not any more), what they love (and don't love) about church, how rooted they feel in their faith and where they are going as a young Christian.

Why my church?
Clearly, we don’t have the resources to ask everyone to take part so we have asked a small representative sample of churches to participate – covering different parts of the country and demographics. This church was randomly selected and a member of clergy here kindly agreed that we could approach members of the congregation.

Is the research confidential?
Absolutely. All the information we collect is covered by the Data Protection Act and can only be used for statistical or research purposes.

So why do you want personal details like name and address?
For three important reasons. Firstly we need to make sure we have people from all relevant age groups and backgrounds. Secondly, it is possible that someone will contact you by phone to check that the information was collected properly and in the appropriate manner. Thirdly, we may contact a small number of people to take part in some exciting work in 2016 to develop our ideas around youth engagement.

Who are Research by Design?
They are an independent social and market research agency who have been commissioned by the Education Office at the Church of England to undertake the study. They adhere to the Market Research Society Code of Conduct which is the body responsible for professional standards in this field. If you have any queries you can call RBD on 0121 643 9090 in office hours.

What about the prize draw?
Terms and conditions can be viewed at www.researchbydesign.co.uk/surveys/cofeterms
Parents’ survey

Rooted in the Church of England: Parent survey

Hello. We are collecting the views of Anglicans who attend church regularly or perhaps less regularly than they used to. This survey is designed for families with children between the ages of 11-30 years. Your individual responses will not be reported back to the church.

Q1. How many children do you have in total? __________

Q2. What are the ages of your children?

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Child 5: __________  Child 6: __________  Child 7: __________  Child 8: __________

Sorry if you do not have any children in the 11-30 age range. This survey is not designed for you.

About you and your church

Q3. Apart from weddings, funerals and christenings, about how often do you attend church nowadays?

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Q4. Thinking of your church attendance, do you...

Always go to the same church  Have a main church but may attend other churches sometimes  Go to different churches frequently

Q5. Can you tell us why?

______________________________
About you and your church

Q6. Do you attend the same church nowadays compared with when your family was younger?
   Yes, I have always attended the same church □
   No, I have switched to a different church or place of worship □
   No, I switched to a different church but have since returned to the same church □

Q7. Can you remember why you first switched?

Q8. Which of the following most influences your choice about whether you attend church nowadays?
   Please select all that apply.
   My personal faith □
   Church leaders □
   My children □
   Sense of community □
   Other family members □
   Sense of belonging to a church □
   Friends □
   Making a difference to the world/society □
   Christian teachings and beliefs □
   None of the above □
   Guilt/obligation □
   Don’t know □
   Tradition/routine □
   Other (please specify below) □

Q9. How important is Christianity in your daily life?

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<th>Somewhat important</th>
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Q10. Which of the following words/phrases would you use to:
   (a) Describe your perfect church? Circle up to five from the following.
   (b) Describe your current church? Tick up to five from the following. These can be the same words/phrases or different.

   Social
   Passionate
   Modern
   Listens
   Non judgemental
   Authoritative
   Reflective
   Strong leadership
   Informal
   Encourages participation
   Traditional
   Friendly
   Charismatic

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Q11. Do you agree or disagree that your church...

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<th>Helps develop young people to contribute to society outside of church</th>
<th>Strongly disagree</th>
<th>Slightly disagree</th>
<th>Neither agree or disagree</th>
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<td>Provided leadership opportunities for young people</td>
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**Role of faith in the family**

Q12. Below are a list of qualities that children can be encouraged to learn at home. Which, if any, do you consider to be especially important?

- Independence
- Hard work
- Feeling of responsibility
- Imagination
- Tolerance and respect for other people
- Obedience

- Thrift, saving money and things
- Determination, perseverance
- Religious faith
- Unselfishness
- Self-expression

Q13. Did your child(ren) usually attend church with you or another parent when they were younger?

- Yes
- No
- Some did, some didn't

Q14. How important was Christianity in your child/children's upbringing?

Not at all important | Not very important | Somewhat important | Very important | Don't know

Q15. Thinking back, which adults took your child/children to church when they were younger?

- Myself (mother)
- Myself (father)
- Both mother and father
- Relatives, e.g. grandparent
- God parent(s)
- Other parishioner/regular churchgoer
- Other (please specify below)

Q16. And thinking of the children in your household, who regularly attended?

- All children
- Younger child(ren) but not older sibling(s)
- Older child(ren) but not younger sibling(s)
- Other (please specify below)
- None
Q17. Did your child/children attend a Church of England school?

Primary school/Middle school  
[ ] Yes  [ ] No  [ ] Don’t know

Secondary school  
[ ] Yes  [ ] No  [ ] Don’t know

Q18. How many of your children attend(ed) a Church of England school?

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Q19. In your view, how active was the Church in your child(ren)’s everyday school life?

Please use the scale below, where 0 is not very active and 10 is very active

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Q20. During their childhood, has there ever been a time when your child/children lived with you, but their other parent lived elsewhere? This could be now or in the past, but please don’t count times when the other parent was temporarily away for work or for some other reason.

[ ] Yes, currently  [ ] Yes, in the past  [ ] No, never

Q21. Which of the following did your church provide when your family were younger? (Please comment on the presence of children’s activities at your original church)

Please select all that apply

- Worship services designed for children
- Midweek worship with pre-school children
- Midweek clubs for children
- Holiday clubs
- Admission to communion before confirmation
- Special services for schools (e.g. carol service)
Q22. Were there opportunities for you or your child(ren) to be responsible for running any of these activities (e.g. planning the groups or designing materials)

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**Children’s attendance and faith nowadays**

For the remainder of the survey we only want you to think about **one of your children** in the 11-30 year old age range (if you have more than one).

For this purpose, thinking about your children aged 11-30, please consider the child whose **birthday falls next** in the calendar.

Q23. Please state the age of the child you are considering for the remainder of the survey.

[ ] years

Q24. How much, on the following scale, did the child whose birthday is next enjoy going to church

Not at all  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  [ ]  A great deal

Don't know [ ]

Q25. Thinking about the child whose birthday is next, did they volunteer in any of the following types of clubs or groups?

*Please select all that apply*

- Uniformed groups (e.g. Scouts/Guiding)
- Social action organised by church (e.g. Street Pastors, Food Banks)
- Sports club
- School Council/ Student Union
- Youth club
- Musical, cultural or other hobbies
- Political group
- Environmental/animal welfare, world development
- First Aid (e.g. St John's Ambulance)
- Other (please specify)
Q20. Which of the following church activities.....

(a) has the child whose birthday is next attended in the past?
(b) did this child have any special organising responsibilities? (e.g. preparing activities, running meetings)
(c) did you have a role or special responsibility for organising?

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<th>(b) Child had/has role or responsibilities</th>
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Q27. Apart from weddings, funerals and christenings, about how often does the child whose birthday is next attend church services nowadays?

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Q28. Apart from special occasions such as weddings, funerals and baptisms or christenings, when did the child whose birthday is next last attend a service?

- Within the past year
- Just over a year ago
- Just over two years ago
- Three to five years ago
- Six to ten years ago
- Ten to fifteen years ago
- Sixteen to twenty years ago
- More than twenty years ago
- Don't know

Q29. How does this child's attendance nowadays compare with their younger/pre-teenage years?

*Attendance refers to any service or meeting connected with Christianity, not necessarily at the same church.*

Q30. How old was this child when their attendance at church began declining?

- There was no specific age/time

Q31. In which of the following ways does the child whose birthday is next prefer to worship nowadays?

*Please select all that apply.*

- Traditional Service
- Contemporary/modern style Service
- Family Service for all ages
- Youth and student focussed Service
- Youth Prayer/Worship groups in the week
- Alternative worship and spaces (e.g. meeting in cafes, clubs, sports, camps, etc.)
- Other (please specify)
- None of the above
- None of the above
Q32. Has the child whose birthday is next ever attended a different church to you?
Yes, they switched to a different church or place of worship
Yes, they switched to a different church but then returned to the same church
No, they have not attended a different church
Other (please specify)
Don’t know

Q33. And is the church they moved to...
A similar denomination/style to their first church
A different denomination/style to their first church

Q34. Overall, how important is Christianity in this child’s daily life nowadays?
Not at all important
Not very important
Somewhat important
Very important
Extremely important

Q35. Which of the following most closely applies to this child right now today?
Please select all that apply
In employment (full time)
In employment (part time)
Not in employment and actively seeking work
Student (school or college)
Student (university)
Unable to work or study
Looking after family/home
Other (specify)

Q36. Which of the following events...
(a) have happened to this child in the past 6 months?
(b) are likely to happen to this child in the next 3-4 months?

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Q37. How do you expect their current church attendance to be affected by this, if at all? Their church attendance will...

- Decrease significantly
- Decrease slightly
- Stay about the same
- Increase slightly
- Increase significantly
- Don't know

Q38. Does your church have a children's/youth worker?
- Yes
- No
- Yes, but currently vacant
- Don't know
- Yes, but only periodically

Q39. How good, on the following scale, is/was your youth worker at inspiring young churchgoers?

- Not at all good
- Very good
- Don't know

Q40. In your view, are there specific activities or groups for 18-30 year old worshippers at your church?
- Yes, several
- None
- Yes, a few
- Not sure

Q41. Overall, on the following scale, would you say that the theology of your church is liberal or conservative?

- Liberal
- Neutral
- Conservative

Q42. And, would you say the worship style of your church is traditional or charismatic?

- Traditional
- Neutral
- Charismatic
Thank you for completing this survey. To finish, could we now ask you a few questions about yourself. Please remember your responses will be treated confidentially.

Q43. Within which of the following age ranges do you fall into? (not your child)

- 16 to 25
- 26 to 35
- 36 to 45
- 46 to 55
- 56 to 65
- Over 65

Q44. What is your gender?

- Male
- Female

Q45. What is your ethnicity?

- English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British
- Caribbean
- Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- Any other Black background
- Irish
- White and Asian
- Any other White background
- White and Black African
- Indian
- White and Black Caribbean
- Pakistani
- Arab
- Bangladeshi
- Any other Mixed background
- Chinese
- Other ethnic group (please specify below)
- Any other Asian background
- African

Q46. What is your marital status?

- Single
- Divorced
- Civil partnership
- Married
- Widowed

Q47. Have you always lived in the neighbourhood? By this neighbourhood we mean the local area within an approximate 15-20 minute walk.

- All my life
- Not all my life

Q48. Approximately how long ago did you move to this area?

- Less than 1 year ago
- 1 to 2 years ago
- 2 to 3 years ago
- 3 to 4 years ago
- 4 to 5 years ago
- 5 to 6 years ago
- 6 to 7 years ago
- 7 to 8 years ago
- 8 to 9 years ago
- 9 to 10 years ago
- 10 to 11 years ago
- 11 to 15 years ago
- Prefer not to say
**About you**

Q49. Which of the following most closely applies to you currently?

*Please select all that apply*

- In employment (full time)
- In employment (part time)
- Not in employment and actively seeking work
- Student
- Unable to work or study
- Looking after family/home
- Retired
- Other (please specify)

Q50. How did you hear about this survey?

- A postcard in my church
- A poster in my church
- A church representative
- Social media
- Friends/family
- Special event
- Other (please specify)

Q51. Are you happy to be re-contacted about this research or future projects?  
Yes ☐ No ☐

We are planning a variety of exciting events in early 2016.

Q52. Are you happy to be entered into the free prize draw for an iPad Mini?  
Yes ☐ No ☐

Please provide your contact details below so we can re-contact you.

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Now please pass your completed questionnaire to your church representative who will then return it on your behalf. Alternatively, you can use the following freepost address yourself:

Freepost RSKA-CBEJ-EZJZ  
Research by Design Ltd  
White House  
111 New Street  
Birmingham  
B2 4EU

The Education Office at The Church of England have asked Research by Design to collect the responses and conduct the analysis confidentially.

Thank you for giving us your views. Please keep an eye out for the results during 2016!
Rooted in the Church of England: Young persons survey

Hello. We are collecting the views of Anglicans who attend church regularly or perhaps less regularly than they used to. We are particularly interested in learning how the church is experienced by young people. Your individual responses will not be reported back to the church.

Age

Q1. Are you...

- Aged 16-19 years
- Aged 20-25 years
- Aged 26-30 years

Sorry if you fall outside the 16-30 age range, this survey is not designed for you. Please note, we are also seeking the views of parents in a separate survey.

Measuring attendance and previous attendance

Q2. Apart from weddings, funerals and christenings, about how often do you attend church services nowadays? Please select one option only.

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<th>Sunday Services</th>
<th>More than once a week</th>
<th>Once a week</th>
<th>Once a fortnight</th>
<th>Once a month</th>
<th>Once a quarter</th>
<th>Christmas and/or Easter Day only</th>
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Q3. Generally speaking, in which of the following ways do you prefer to worship nowadays? Please select all that apply.

- Traditional Service
- Modern style Service
- Family Service for all ages
- Youth focused Service
- Youth groups in the week
- Alternative worship and spaces (e.g. meeting in cafes, clubs, sports, camps etc)
- Other (please specify below)

Q4. Have you always attended a Church of England church since your pre-teenage years?

- Yes
- No

Q5. Thinking back, how does your current church attendance compare with your earlier years? By attendance, we mean any service or meeting connected with Christianity, not necessary at the same church.

Nowadays I come to Church...

- A lot less frequently
- Slightly less frequently
- About the same
- Slightly more frequently
- Much more frequently
Q6. Thinking of your church attendance do you...
- Always go to the same church
- Have a main church but may attend other churches sometimes
- Go to different churches frequently

Q7. Can you tell us why?

Q8. Thinking of your main church nowadays, has this always been the same church?
- Yes, I have always attended the same church
- No, I have switched to a different church or place of worship
- No, I switched to a different church but have since returned to the same church I attended when I was younger

Q9. Can you remember how old you were when you first switched?

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**Early church life**

Q10. From which, if any, of the following did you learn most about Christianity as a child? *Please select all that apply.*
- From a church or church group
- From my parent(s)
- From my god parent(s)
- From other family members
- From my primary school
- From my secondary school
- From media or online
- From conversations with friends
- From Uniformed organisations (e.g. Scouting, Guiding, Boys Brigade)
- Other groups (e.g. Crusaders, Urban Saints)
- I did not learn about Christianity as a child
- Don’t know
- None of these
- Other (please specify below)

Q11. Thinking back, who took you to church when you were younger? *Please select all that apply.*
- Mother
- Father
- Relative(s)
- God parent(s)
- Other parishioner/regular churchgoer
- Nobody
- Other (please specify below)

Q12. Did you attend a Church of England school?
- Primary school
- Middle school
- Secondary school
- Yes
- No
- Don’t know
Q13. In your view, how active was the Church of England in everyday school life?

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Q14. Which of the following did your church provide when you were younger?

- Worship services designed for children
- Midweek worship with pre-school children
- Midweek clubs for children
- Holiday clubs
- Admission to communion before confirmation
- Special services for schools (e.g. carol service)

Q15. How important was Christianity in your upbringing?

- Not at all important
- Somewhat important
- Very important
- Don't know

Q16. How much, on the following scale, did you enjoy going to church when you were younger?

- Not at all
- A great deal

Faith, life and volunteering

Q17. Which of the following most influences your choice about whether you attend church nowadays?

Please select all that apply.

- My personal faith
- Parent(s) or family
- God parent(s)
- Friends
- Christian teachings and beliefs
- Guilt/obligation
- Tradition/routine

Church leaders
Sense of community
Sense of belonging to a church
Making a difference to world/society
None of the above
Don't Know
Other (please specify)
Q18. How important is Christianity in your daily life?

- Not at all important
- Not very important
- Somewhat important
- Very important
- Extremely important

Q19. Please think about your five closest friends. How many of them share your views about Christianity?

[ ] out of 5

Q20. Do you agree or disagree that church is an environment where good friendships can be formed?

- Strongly disagree
- Slightly disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Slightly agree
- Strongly agree
- Don't know

Q21. Over the last 12 months, have you volunteered in any of the following clubs or groups in or out of church? Please select all that apply:

- Uniformed groups (e.g. Scouting/Guiding)
- Church fundraising
- Sports clubs
- School Council/Student Union
- Youth clubs
- Musical, cultural or other hobbies
- Political groups or other committees (e.g. Parochial Church Council)
- Environmental/animal welfare, world development
- First Aid (e.g. St Johns Ambulance)
- Other (please specify below)
### Attitudes towards your current church

Q22. Which of the following church activities....

(a) Do you attend currently
(b) Did you attend in the past
(c) Do/did you have responsibilities in organising? (e.g. preparing activities, running meetings etc.)

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Q23. Does your church have a children’s/youth worker position?

Yes                       | No                      |
Yes, but currently vacant  | Don’t know              |
Yes, but only periodically |                        |

Q24. If your church has/had a youth worker, how good do/did you consider them to be, using the scale below?

Not at all good | Very good | Not applicable

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Q26. Which of the following words/phrases would you use to:

(a) Describe your perfect church? **Circle** up to five from the following.

(b) Describe your current church? **Tick** up to five from the following. These can be the same words/phrases or different.

Social  | Non judgemental  |  
Passionate   | Authoritative  |  
Reflective   | Modern   |  
Listens   | Encourages participation   |  
Informal   | Friendly   |  
Strong leadership   | Traditional   |  
Charismatic   |  

Q27. How often do you visit any social networking sites or apps (like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or Pinterest), using any device?

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Q28. How many social networking sites are you actively part of? [ ] or I don’t have a social media profile ○