

## **CHURCHWARDENS MEASURE 2001**

### **GENERAL DISQUALIFICATIONS TO NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCHWARDEN**

A person shall be disqualified from being chosen for the office of Churchwarden if he/she is:

- 2(1) Disqualified from being a charity trustee under Section 72(1) of the Charities Act 1993. Basically, it is a person who
- Has been convicted of any offence involving dishonesty or deception.
  - Is an undischarged bankrupt.
  - Has made a composition or arrangement with his/her creditors.
  - Has been removed from office by the Charity Commissioners or the High Court.
  - Has been disqualified from acting as a Director.
- 2(2) Convicted of any offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 and offences as listed in Schedule 1 of more recent legislation.
- 2(3) Disqualified from being a Churchwarden under Section 10(6) of the Incumbents (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977. Where there has been a pastoral breakdown in the parish, the Bishop can institute a formal enquiry under this Measure. If the responsibility for the break down is that of a lay person, the Bishop can disqualify him or her from being a churchwarden in the future.

If you are in any doubt as to whether you are disqualified, please consult the Diocesan Registrar at the Truro Diocesan Registry, Truro Business Park, Threemilestone, Truro TR4 9NH. Tel: 01872 241700.

### **CRIMINAL RECORD BUREAU STANDARD DISCLOSURE**

This nomination form includes a sentence overleaf that the person nominated is willing to undergo a Criminal Record Bureau Standard Disclosure Check. This is simply a means of verifying that the requirements of the Churchwardens Measure 2001 are met. It does not imply any slur on the nominee's honesty or integrity but is simply a matter of good and safe practice, such as is followed by most organisations nowadays. It is the practice that is recommended by the Church of England nationally, in the House of Bishops' Child Protection Policy.