

Marriage Application



Marriage Application for _____

and _____.

Details of the person making this application:

Name	
Contact address	
Contact 'phone number	
Contact e-mail address	

Thank you for enquiring about getting married in one of the churches in the Fotherby Benefice. We look forward to helping you mark the special occasion, and this significant moment in your relationship. In order to help us make sure that all aspects of the service are prepared as smoothly as possible we ask you to complete the following pages as completely as possible. You may well find that the Church of England wedding website is useful as you complete this form and prepare for your wedding: www.yourchurchwedding.org

If you need more information please contact the Deanery Office on 01507 610247.

ABOUT THE WEDDING DAY

Which church do you hope to marry in?

Which date do you hope to marry on?

____ / ____ / ____

At what time would you like the service to begin?

Fotherby Benefice: Covenham, Fotherby, Fulstow, Little Grimsby, Ludborough & Utterby

ABOUT YOUR QUALIFICATIONS TO MARRY

Are you both British nationals? YES/NO *If 'No', then please contact us so that we can advise you on the best way to make sure you are qualified to marry in England.*

Does one of you live in Fotherby Benefice? YES/NO *If 'No', then you need to establish that you have a qualifying connection in order to marry in the benefice of Fotherby. Please visit <https://www.yourchurchwedding.org/article/finding-a-church/> for more information. Please contact us if you need advice on what this means. If you are marrying by qualifying connection please describe it here:*

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Do either of you live elsewhere? YES/NO *If 'Yes', then you need to make sure that you apply for 'banns' to be read in the Parish in which you live in order to be able to marry in the benefice of Fotherby. On or before the day of your wedding, the minister taking your wedding service will need to see a certificate to prove banns have been read.*

Have either of you been married before, and the previous partner is still living? YES/NO *If 'Yes', you need to arrange to meet with the Rector to check that you qualify to get married.*

Are you related by blood, marriage or adoption? YES/NO *If 'Yes', please contact us for advice on whether you are able to marry.*

PERSONAL DETAILS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

Full names	Date of Birth	Status	Rank, profession or occupation	Address at the time of publication of banns	Parents full names (add if deceased)	Parents rank, profession or occupation (add if retired)
(Groom)		<i>Single</i>				
		<i>Widower</i>				
(Bride)		<i>Divorced</i>				
		<i>Single</i>				
		<i>Widower</i>				
		<i>Divorced</i>				

IMPORTANT NOTES WHEN FILLING IN THIS PART OF THE FORM:

- (i) Please provide full legal names
- (ii) If one (or both) of the people intending to get married are divorced there is an extra stage required before the application can be approved. Please contact the Rector to arrange for this to take place. For this you will need to provide details of the previous marriage, a copy of the decree absolute and speak about the current relationship.
- (iii) Banns are normally published over a period of 3 months before the marriage. If you do not know the address at this time please leave blank. However, we will need to know the address before calling banns. If your address will change between calling banns and getting married please contact us as soon as possible so that we can make sure that the necessary legal preliminaries are completed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE (If you are not able to answer all the questions in this section please leave blank)

In the information sent with this form you will find a list of the fees charged at each of the churches. In addition to the 'standard' fees there are some optional things that you may wish to include as part of your wedding. There is normally an additional charge for each of these additional elements of the day.

Would you like bells rung at the end of the service? YES/NO (Only available at Fotherby & Utterby)

ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED THIS FORM

1. We will check the date, time and church and confirm that they are available. We will then write to confirm these details. **Please note that until you have received this confirmation there is no firm booking** – some of our churches are busy and used for a wide range of services and events. If we cannot meet your requested date, time or church we will do our best to find a convenient alternative.
2. You will meet with the Minister taking your wedding to plan the service, get to know one another better and during wedding preparation the Minister will help you explore what marriage means to you.
3. Normally 'banns' will be called on three Sundays over three month before you get married. You are encouraged to join us on these occasions if possible, when we will pray for you and the other couples preparing to get married. If you live outside the Benefice of Fotherby, banns will also need calling in the parish(es) in which you live, this is your responsibility to arrange.
4. We will arrange a suitable time for the wedding rehearsal – wherever possible this will take place on the afternoon or evening before the wedding.

PLEASE LEAVE THIS FOR USE BY THE OFFICIATING MINISTER

Nationality:

- British national
- EU/EEA national
- Other national _____

Right to marry:

- Residence
- Qualifying connection

Marital status:

- Both parties single or widowed
- One or more parties divorced. (MICAD application completed & decrees seen by minister)

Date / / Initials _____.

Preliminaries:

- Banns in Benefice Common Licence
- Banns elsewhere

Service details:

Music in _____
Hymn 1 _____
Reading(s) _____
Hymn 2 _____
Hymn 3 _____
Music out _____

Date and time of rehearsal:

Date / /
Time :

The Benefice of Fotherby

Contact via Louthesk Deanery Office: The Rectory Peppin Lane
Fotherby Louth LN11 0UW



Tel: 01507 610247 / Louthesk@lincoln.anglican.org

Fees for Weddings in The Group Parish of Fotherby - 2026

Covenham St Mary's - Fotherby St Mary's – Fulstow St Lawrence - Little Grimsby St Edith's –
Ludborough St Mary's - Utterby St Andrew's

This chart shows how the charge for your wedding is made up. It includes all the statutory fees that are set in law and those that are charged by the parish for the services it normally provides. The fees are likely to change each year – we will let you know as soon as possible. If you have any queries, please contact the Deanery Office on 01507 610247.

Fees payable for a wedding at the Benefice of The Fotherby Group

'Standard' package:	Publication of banns*	£39
	Marriage Service*	£566
	Organist	£78 (£156 if videoed)
	Verger	£58
	TOTAL	£741 (£819 if videoed)
Additional charges:	Heating (October to April)	£66
	Bells (Utterby – 3 bells)	£78
	Bells (Fotherby – 3 bells) no fee	£00
	Bells (Fulstow – 1 bell) no fee	£00
	Bells (Ludborough – 3 bells)	£78

Notes * - these fees are those required for the minimum legal ceremony

The charge for a marriage certificate is payable directly to the registry office from 4th May 2021
<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/births/order-birth-death-ceremony-certificate>

Please indicate the options you would like for your service:

'Standard' package:		
Basic fees (includes Verger & Organist)	£741	Yes/ No
Additional charge (for Organist) if video/sound <u>recording</u> is made	£78	Yes/No
Additional options:		
Bells (Utterby & Ludborough) – 3 bells	£78	Yes/No
Bells (Fulstow) – 1 bell	£00	Yes/No
Bells (Fotherby) – 3 bells	£00	Yes/No
Heating (between October and April)	£66	Yes/No
BANNS of marriage in another parish (within Louthesk Deanery)	£39	Yes/No
Certificate of Banns of marriage from another parish	£20	Yes/No

Please complete and return to: **The Deanery Office, The Rectory, Peppin Lane, Fotherby, Louth, LN11 0UW. Louthesk@lincoln.anglican.org**

Nearer the date of your wedding, the deanery office will prepare and send you an invoice and inform you as to the dates that your banns will be called, if you are marrying by banns.

Please note these **fees are for 2026** only and will change for future weddings. Should you wish to set up a standing order to spread the cost of your wedding, please contact the Deanery Office for the bank details.