



Parish of Peasedown with Wellow
Parish of Foxcote with Shoscombe

Application for the Publishing of Banns of Marriage

To be married in the Church of England (CoE) it is a requirement that your 'Banns of marriage' be read out on three consecutive Sundays several weeks before your wedding date.

The reading of the Banns will take place in the main service of the local CoE parish church of each of the two persons being married, and in the church in which they are getting married. Of course this may well be all one and the same church! That is, if the couple live in the same parish and are getting married in their local parish church then they will only need their Banns to be 'published' in that one place. However, in theory, the Banns may need to be read out in three separate locations. This is where the couple live in different parishes from one another and are getting married in a third parish.

There is a fee that accompanies having your banns read and this is set at £22.00. However, if you want or require a Banns of marriage certificate then there is a further charge of £12.00. You will need a Banns of marriage certificate from us if your wedding is taking place outside of the St J's group (see above). This is because you will need to present it to the Vicar taking your wedding service. Similarly, if you are getting married here and one or both of you live outside of the St J's group then you will need to present a certificate(s) to our Vicar Matthew Street before your wedding can legally be allowed to take place. These fees are applicable in each parish church involved in reading your Banns.

There is no need however, to send us (the St J's Group) a cheque at this point, as we will raise an invoice for the total amount owed to us for your wedding closer to the wedding date (the week following the final reading of your Banns to be precise). This will include the cost of reading your Banns in our parish.

If you have any further questions relating to the reading of Banns of Marriage, or for any other matter please feel free to contact us at:

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