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Hear Here Church Report 2026

Please see the poster attached for a more in-depth explanation of the aim of Hear Here. Hear Here is a Church of England initiative working with the NHS to relieve pressure on the NHS. It is not part of the Health Champions group.

In December I updated my volunteer audiology training and it was stated that in order to comply with church hall insurance requirements, an annual report should be made to the PCC.

An unpredictable number of people come to Hear Here each month, ranging from 3 to 16, so it can be very quiet or very busy. Some people just require new batteries and others may need new tubes and domes, or advice about their aid. Occasionally, Andrew and I drive to Crawley Hospital to take a hearing aid to be repaired, where there is a brilliant 24 hour repair service and no appointment is necessary.

Numbers of batteries and tubes given out and any referrals back to the NHS much be recorded and a monthly email is sent from every clinic to a contact with the NHS. Due to recent data protection laws, clients needing more help than the volunteer can provide, should contact the NHS themselves by phone or email and no record is any longer kept of the names and addresses of clients.

The Dioceses involved are across the south east and include Oxford, Winchester and London and there are 55 different clinics. All hearing aid resources are provided free from the NHS to the volunteers at the clinics. All my resources are kept in the church hall. If anyone thinks they may like to help me with this service, come along and see how it works. I'll be very pleased to see you.

Helen Goudie

(Poster overleaf)

Hear Here!

- **Having trouble with your hearing aid?**
- **Do you need some new batteries?**
- **Do you need new hearing aid tubes?**

For free basic maintenance and free batteries, funded by the NHS, come along to Smallfield Church Hall, Redehall Rd, on the first Friday of the month from 13:15-14:00 or on the second Wednesday of the month from 10:30-11:30.

For any further information, please feel free to contact NHS audiology trained volunteer,

HELEN on 01342 843550 or text 07762632620

Everyone welcome 

Home visits are also possible for the house-bound.