

Website 10th Anniversary



The 22nd February 2026 is the 10th anniversary of the creation of the Milborne Benefice website (<https://www.milborneportchurches.org.uk>). Since that day the website has developed and grown, just as, in 2025, the benefice grew with the addition of 3 more churches. The website is now at the point where a single person cannot maintain and update it and decide on its content. To continue much beyond 10 years more people are needed to carry out these tasks, most of which are not onerous.

The main developments in these 10 years have included the following:

- Establishing a **content management system** tailored for a church benefice. This has included the automatic creation of the church calendar of Sundays and services as well as the creation and editing of individual pages and other items.
- Adding **bible readings** together with automatic links to the actual text of the readings taken from the Bible Society website.
- Providing for the addition of **Pew News** and **Magazines** to be added to the website.
- Addition of the **Life Events** page to include baptisms, weddings and funerals.
- Adding **slideshows** of church events during the last 10 years.
- Adding **private pages**, which are password protected, including lists of Sundays and services formatted for the magazine and pew news; lists of page accesses; APCM dates and more.
- An **Event Diary** to facilitate adding church events and developing this to facilitate adding bible readings and extra services in a way that is simple to use and also reduces the possibility of errors.
- In 2025 the **electoral roll** for Milborne Port was added to the website with an online application form.

Just recently the website was transferred to a new **datacentre** which is claimed to be faster and more secure.

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