
Envoy Participant Agreement

Simple commitments for taking part in Envoy

Envoy is a Church Army community helping ordinary Christians grow in confidence in everyday evangelism.

Some people take part directly through Church Army and others through a partner diocese or organisation. This agreement applies to everyone taking part in Envoy.

What you can expect from Envoy

We will:

- provide 19 facilitated Envoy sessions and access to the resources you need;
- seek to create a welcoming, respectful community where everyone has space to contribute;
- take safeguarding seriously and respond appropriately when concerns are raised;
- handle your personal information in line with the Envoy Privacy Notice;
- listen if something about your experience of Envoy is not working well.

What we ask of you

By taking part in Envoy, we ask you to:

- take part as regularly as you reasonably can;
- engage with your community, enjoy what you learn and be proactive in practising everyday evangelism;
- help create a community where people are listened to, respected and given space;
- treat personal things shared by other participants with care and not repeat identifiable stories without permission;
- follow the Envoy Safeguarding Standard;
- raise concerns with your Envoy Host or Church Army rather than allowing difficulties to go unspoken.

Sharing safely

Envoy works best when people can speak honestly.

Please respect the privacy of other participants and do not share their personal stories outside the group without their permission.

There are limits to confidentiality. If something is shared which suggests that a child or adult may be at risk of harm, it may need to be passed on to the appropriate person in line with safeguarding procedures.

Everyday evangelism

Envoy is about evangelism in the life you are already living.

You may choose to try things in your church, workplace, neighbourhood or wider community as part of your learning. These activities do not automatically become Church Army activities, and responsibility for them normally remains with you and the church, organisation or setting in which they take place.

Where you are taking part through a partner diocese or organisation, that organisation may also have responsibilities for areas such as safeguarding, local ministry or activities.

Cost

There is no charge for taking part in Envoy unless you have been told otherwise in advance.

Any costs arising from activities you independently choose to undertake are normally your responsibility or that of the relevant church or organisation.

If you need to leave

We hope participants will complete the Envoy journey, but we recognise that circumstances change.

If you need to leave, please talk with your Envoy Host where possible.

Church Army may also need to bring someone's participation to an end where there are serious safeguarding, conduct or community concerns.

Our agreement

By taking part in Envoy, you are agreeing to the commitments above and to the current:

- Envoy Safeguarding Standard
- Envoy Privacy Notice

This agreement is intended to describe how we will take part in Envoy together. It does not create an employment relationship or other contractual relationship with Church Army.

Participant name

Signature

Date
