

NOTE ON CHANCEL REPAIR LIABILITY

What if we do not register it?

If you do not register the liability by 2013 the PCC will lose the right to enforce it against the owners of land subject to the liability. That means that if repairs are needed to the chancel the PCC has the duty to carry out the repairs and must find money from its own resources and not from those who had a liability.

In addition, if the PCC applies for a grant to English Heritage for work to the chancel, English Heritage will take the liability into account when deciding how much grant to offer. The grant will take into account the liability under chancel repair liability, whether or not the liability has been registered.

Further, if an insurance claim is made in respect of repairs to the chancel, the insurance company will similarly take into account the liability of the land owner to pay for the repairs whether or not chancel repair liability has been registered.