

## **The Role of ACC Members**

ACC Members are appointed by the Governing Bodies of their National Churches as representatives to the triennial meetings of the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC). A chief responsibility is to report on the work of the ACC to their Governing Bodies and to continue as a contact between the Council and the Member Churches between meetings.

The Object of the Anglican Consultative Council, as stated by the [1968 Lambeth Conference](#) and set out in the Constitution is:

The object of the Council shall be to advance the Christian religion and in furtherance of that object, but not further or otherwise, the Council shall have the following powers:

- To facilitate the co-operative work of the member Churches of the Anglican Communion.
- To share information about developments in one or more provinces of the Anglican Communion with the other parts of the communion and to serve as needed as an instrument of common action.
- To advise on inter-Anglican, provincial, and diocesan relationships, including the division of provinces, the formation of new provinces and of regional councils, and the problems of extra-provincial dioceses.
- To develop as far as possible agreed Anglican policies in the world mission of the Church and to encourage national and regional Churches to engage together in developing and implementing such policies by sharing their resources of manpower, money, and experience to the best advantage of all.
- To keep before national and regional Churches the importance of the fullest possible Anglican collaboration with other Christian Churches.
- To encourage and guide Anglican participation in the Ecumenical Movement and the ecumenical organisations, to co-operate with the World Council of Churches and the world confessional bodies on behalf of the Anglican Communion; and to make arrangements for the conduct of pan-Anglican conversations with the Roman Catholic Church, the Orthodox Churches and other Churches.
- To advise on matters arising out of national or regional church union negotiations or conversations and on subsequent relations with united Churches.
- To advise on problems of inter-Anglican communication and to help in the dissemination of Anglican and ecumenical information.