

Atheism

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Dear <Insert name>

Congratulations on your success at the general election. We hope you have a productive term in the House of Commons over the next few years.

We are writing to announce the formation of a new organisation, '*Atheism*,' dedicated to the advancement of atheism and a world free from the negative heritage of religion.

As theistic claims are false, there is no rational basis to afford privileges to religious individuals or organizations. On the occasion of our launch, we are calling on all Members of Parliament to abolish all religious elitism, influence and privilege from government structures, policy and legislation. This includes, for example, 'faith' schools; compulsory religious education and worship; the Established Church and the appointment of Bishops to the House of Lords.

We maintain that faith is belief without evidence, reason or justification and this perpetuates an environment in which people can believe anything, allowing prejudice and ignorance to thrive. Modern atheism represents a springboard for a rational, self-reliant and progressive society, free from prejudice and oppression.

Religion, therefore, has no place in government and we encourage you to support our goal. **With this aim in mind we are compiling a public record of the religious attitudes and beliefs of all Members of Parliament. We would be most grateful if you would complete and return the short questionnaire overleaf.**

For more information about Atheism, please visit our website. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Mark Embleton
President

Questionnaire

Are you?

- Atheist
- Agnostic
- Religious (practising)
- Religious (lapsed)

Other _____

What is your religious background?

- None
- Roman Catholicism
- Anglicanism
- Buddhism
- Judaism
- Hinduism
- Islam

Other _____

What is your current religion?

- None
- Roman Catholicism
- Anglicanism
- Buddhism
- Judaism
- Hinduism
- Islam

Other _____

Please return your completed questionnaire to: BCM Atheism, London WC1N 3XX

THANK YOU

Name : «First» «Surname», «Constituency»