

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2012
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF YORK

TIMES OF SITTINGS

Friday 6 July	5.15 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Saturday 7 July	11.45 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Sunday 8 July	2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Monday 9 July	9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Tuesday 10 July	9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

SERVICES

Friday 6 July

10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion in Heslington Church
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Saturday 7 July

7.30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Central Hall
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Sunday 8 July

10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion in York Minster
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Monday 9 July

7.30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Central Hall
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GENERAL NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTIONS, AMENDMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Save where a special note is included in the Agenda, the following rules apply under the Standing Orders of the General Synod to notice of motions and amendments other than procedural motions:

1. The period of notice of new business has expired, save for urgent or other specially important business included by the direction of the Presidents.
2. Notice of motions and amendments arising out of business on the Agenda (other than amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders) must be delivered to the Clerk to the Synod as follows (SOs 10(a), 11 and 26(a)):

Business appointed for the *first day of the group of sessions* (6 July) –
5.30 p.m. on Thursday 5 July

Business appointed for the *remaining days of the group of sessions*:

Business appointed for a morning sitting –

10 a.m. the day before;

Business appointed for an afternoon or evening sitting –

4 p.m. the day before.

Contingency business – **10 a.m. on Friday 6 July**

3. Under Standing Order 10(a) and 26(a), such notice must be accompanied by evidence of support from two or more members of the Synod in addition to the member giving the notice. (This provision does *not* apply to amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders.)
4. Notice of amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders must be given in accordance with the notes accompanying the relevant item in this Agenda.
5. An amendment of which due notice has not been given may only be moved by permission of the Chair (SO 26(b)(i)).
6. Notice of Questions under Standing Orders 105-106 must be delivered **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday 26 June 2012** (SO 10(b)(i)), with an indication of whether an oral or written answer is required (SO 105(c)). **Members are reminded that, unless notice is given that an oral answer is required, it will be assumed that a written answer is required.**

7. Notice must be in writing signed by the member giving notice and delivered to the Clerk to the Synod either by hand or by post, fax or e-mail. The postal address is Church House, Great Smith St, London SW1P 3AZ. The fax number is 020 7898 1369. The e-mail address is:
- in respect of Questions: **questions@churchofengland.org**
- in respect of amendments and motions arising out of business on the Agenda: **amendments@churchofengland.org**
- in respect of submissions to Revision Committees:
RevisionCommittee@churchofengland.org
- in respect of other matters: **colin.podmore@churchofengland.org**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

8. Business set out in the Timetable and the Agenda will be taken on the day and at the times shown there. If business set down for a particular day is completed before the next timed business is due to be called, the opportunity will be taken to complete any business already partly considered at this group of sessions.

CONTINGENCY BUSINESS

9. If there is no uncompleted business and a gap appears in the Agenda during this group of sessions, contingency business will be taken as follows:

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS (see pages 16-18)

Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 (GS 1876A and GS 1876B)

Members are therefore asked to be ready for such an eventuality and to submit any amendments by **10 a.m. on Friday 6 July**.

MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS AND THE HOUSE OF LAITY

10. On **Friday 6 July** the House of Laity and the Convocations will meet as follows:

House of Laity:	2 p.m. in the Central Hall
Convocation of York:	2 p.m. in PL 001, Exhibition Centre
Convocation of Canterbury:	2 p.m. in PX 001, Exhibition Centre (Upper House to withdraw to PL 002, Exhibition Centre)

Friday 6 July 2012

5.15 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. WELCOME TO ANGLICAN AND ECUMENICAL GUESTS

The Archbishop of Turku and Finland will address the Synod at the invitation of the Presidents under SO 112.

3. PROGRESS OF MEASURES AND STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 1864)

The Ven. Julian Henderson, Archdeacon of Dorking (Guildford) (Chair of the Business Committee) to move:

4. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

6.20 p.m. Evening Worship

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

5. QUESTIONS

Saturday 7 July 2012

7.30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Central Hall

9.30 a.m. to 11.15 a.m.

Members of the Synod will spend the first part of the morning in small groups, engaging in reflection, discussion and worship.

11.45 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

WORLD-SHAPED MISSION (GS 1865)

The Bishop of Bristol to move:

6. 'That this Synod, recognizing the Church of England's historic and continuing participation in world mission as essential to our identity as members of the universal Church
 - (a) welcome the report entitled *World-Shaped Mission* and commend it to the dioceses, deaneries and parishes of the Church of England for further study;
 - (b) affirm the ongoing role of the Mission Agencies in resourcing the mission of the Church of England at home and overseas;
 - (c) affirm the continuing growth, through the Diocesan Companion Links, in the relationships between the Church of England and the Provinces of the Anglican Communion; and
 - (d) encourage the building of continuing partnership between all involved in Church of England world mission and development relationships.'
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2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I – see pages 11-14) will be taken:

- 504-505** Draft Clergy Discipline (Amendment) Measure (**GS 1814B**) –
Draft Measure for Final Drafting and Final Approval
- 506** Draft Diocese in Europe Measure (**GS 1853A**) – *Draft Measure for
Revision and Final Approval*
- 507** Draft Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure
(**GS 1866**) – *Draft Measure for First Consideration*
- 508** Draft Amending Canon No. 31 (**GS 1877**) – *Draft Amending Canon for
First Consideration*
- 509** The Church of England Funded Pension Scheme (Amendment) Rules
2012 (**GS 1867**) – *Draft Rules for Approval*

The Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2012 (**GS 1868**) will be taken
at this point if notice is given of a desire that it be debated.

The Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order
2012 (**GS 1869**) will be taken at this point if notice is given of a desire
that it be debated or of an amendment to it.

CHURCH COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL REPORT

- 7.** Presentation under SO 97

6.20 p.m. Evening Worship

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

FRESH EXPRESSIONS AND CHURCH GROWTH: REPORT FROM THE MISSION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL (GS 1870), to which is appended FRESH EXPRESSIONS IN THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH (GS 1871)

The Bishop of St Albans to move:

8. 'That this Synod, recognizing fresh expressions as authentic manifestations of Anglican ecclesiology:
- (a) express gratitude to the Fresh Expressions team for its leadership, inspiration and effectiveness as catalyst to over 1,000 fresh expressions within the Church of England, and many more ecumenically;
 - (b) affirm the mixed economy of church as an enduring model for ministry and mission into the future;
 - (c) call upon the Archbishops' Council and House of Bishops to ensure that the report *Fresh Expressions in the Mission of the Church* and its recommendations are incorporated into the programme to "re-imagine ministry" and are reflected in the future work of the Ministry Division, the Mission and Public Affairs Council and other National Church Institutions; and
 - (d) request the Archbishops' Council to report to the Synod before July 2014 on how the Fresh Expressions team's legacy is to be secured within the life of the Church.'
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Sunday 8 July 2012

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion in York Minster

2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

LITURGICAL BUSINESS

ARTICLE 7 BUSINESS

The following item (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda II – see page 15) will be taken:

- 600 Additional Eucharistic Prayers (**GS 1822B**) – *Final Approval*
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL (GS 1862)

9. Presentation under SO 97
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Not later than 4.00 p.m.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S DRAFT BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR APPORTIONMENT FOR 2013 (GS 1872)

Mr Andrew Britton (ex officio) (Chair of the Finance Committee of the Archbishops' Council) to move:

10. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

Mr Andrew Britton to move in relation to the Archbishops' Council's expected expenditure in respect of each area of activity specified below:

'That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's expenditure for the year 2013, as shown in its budget, of £[X] (net of income from sources apart from diocesan contributions) in respect of [Y]':

	EXPECTED EXPENDITURE [X]	AREA OF ACTIVITY [Y]
11.	£12,559,340	Training for Ministry
12.	£10,636,428	National Support
13.	£1,284,774	Grants and provisions

14. £644,986 Mission agencies' clergy pension contributions
15. £3,765,615 CHARM Scheme.

Mr Andrew Britton to move:

16. 'That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 1872) for the apportionment amongst the dioceses of the net sum to be provided by them to enable the Council to meet the expected expenditure shown in its budget for the year 2013.'

Mr Andrew Britton to move:

17. 'That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 1872) for the pooling adjustment for 2013 in respect of additional maintenance grants for ordinands.'

TESTING THE BRIDGES: UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH AMIDST RIOTS, DISTURBANCES AND DISORDER (GS 1873)

The Bishop of Bath and Wells to move:

18. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

6.20 p.m. Evening Worship

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION

MANIFESTATION OF FAITH IN PUBLIC LIFE (GS 1859A AND GS 1859B)

The Revd Stephen Trott (Peterborough) to move:

19. 'That this Synod express its conviction that it is the calling of Christians to order and govern our lives in accordance with the teaching of Holy Scripture, and to manifest our faith in public life as well as in private, giving expression to our beliefs in the written and spoken word, and in practical acts of service to the local community and to the nation.'
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Monday 9 July 2012

7.30 a.m. *Holy Communion in the Central Hall*

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I – see pages 11-14) will be taken:

DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF WOMEN) MEASURE AND DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 30

ARTICLE 7 AND ARTICLE 8 BUSINESS

- 501 Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure (**GS 1708C**) – *Draft Measure for Final Approval*
 - 502 Draft Amending Canon No. 30 (**GS 1709C**) – *Draft Amending Canon for Final Approval*
 - 503 Draft Petition for Her Majesty's Royal Assent and Licence (**GS 1709D**) – *for Adoption*
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2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Items of legislative business appearing on the Agenda for the morning sitting (see above) will be taken at this point, if not completed previously.

6.20 p.m. *Evening Worship*

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL OF THE FUTURE

20. Presentation under SO 97

21. FAREWELLS

TUESDAY 10 JULY 2012

7.30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Central Hall

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION (GS 1874A AND GS 1874B)

PALESTINE AND ISRAEL

Dr John Dinnen (Hereford) to move:

22. 'That this Synod affirm its support for:
- (a) the vital work of the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), encouraging parishioners to volunteer for the programme and asking churches and synods to make use of the experience of returning participants;
 - (b) mission and other aid agencies working amongst Palestinians in Gaza, the West Bank and elsewhere in the region;
 - (c) Israelis and Palestinians in all organisations working for justice and peace in the area, such as the Parents Circle – Families Forum; and
 - (d) Palestinian Christians and organisations that work to ensure their continuing presence in the Holy Land.'
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DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION

VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEES (GS 1875A AND GS 1875B)

Mr Ian Fletcher (Bradford) to move on behalf of the Bradford Diocesan Synod:

23. 'That this Synod resolve that the Vacancy in See Committees Regulation 1993 (as amended in 2003, 2007 and 2008) be amended so as to ensure that Vacancy in See Committees have at least 21 members.'
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Not later than 12 noon

FAREWELL TO THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

The Archbishop of York to move:

- 24.** 'That this Synod record its deep gratitude for the Archbishop of Canterbury's outstanding ministry to Church and Nation, and offer him and Mrs Williams its very best wishes for the future.'

25. PROROGATION

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

**DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1708C)
DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 30 (GS 1709C)**

**Draft Measure and Draft Amending Canon for Final Approval
(Final Drafting at the February 2012 group of sessions)**

Article 7 and Article 8 business

The Bishop of Manchester (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

- 501** 'That the Measure entitled "Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure" be finally approved.'

The Bishop of Manchester (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

- 502** 'That the Canon entitled "Amending Canon No. 30" be finally approved.'

And, if item 502 is carried:

- 503** 'That the petition for Her Majesty's Royal Assent and Licence (GS 1709D) be adopted.'

DRAFT CLERGY DISCIPLINE (AMENDMENT) MEASURE (GS 1814B)

**Draft Measure for Final Drafting and Final Approval (Revised at the
February 2012 group of sessions)**

Report by the Steering Committee (GS 1814Z)

The Bishop of Guildford (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

- 504** 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

Note: *If item 504 is carried, any special amendments will be moved (SO 59(d)).*

The Bishop of Guildford (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

- 505** 'That the Measure entitled "Clergy Discipline (Amendment) Measure" be finally approved.'

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT DIOCESE IN EUROPE MEASURE (GS 1853A)

Draft Measure for Revision

(First Consideration at the February 2012 group of sessions)

Notes:

1. *As reported in the Third Notice Paper, no proposals for amendment were received and there were no other matters for the Revision Committee to report.*
2. *The Synod will consider the draft Measure clause by clause.*

DRAFT DIOCESE IN EUROPE MEASURE (GS 1853A)

Draft Measure for Final Approval

Canon David Froude (Bristol) (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move, subject to the provisions of SO 61(b):

506 'That the Measure entitled "Diocese in Europe Measure" be finally approved.'

***Note:** The Steering Committee considers that a Final Drafting Stage is unnecessary in respect of the draft Measure.*

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) MEASURE (GS 1866)

Draft Measure for First Consideration

The Revd Paul Benfield (Blackburn) (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

507 'That the Measure entitled "Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure" be considered for revision in committee.'

***Note:** If item 507 is carried, any member who wishes to submit proposals for amendment to the revision committee should send them in writing to the Clerk to the Synod so as to reach him **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 10th August 2012** (SO 53).*

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 31 (GS 1877)

Draft Amending Canon for First Consideration

The Reverend Paul Benfield (Blackburn) (Chair of the Steering Committee) to move:

- 508** 'That the Canon entitled "Amending Canon No. 31" be considered for revision in committee.'

Note: *If item 508 is carried, any member who wishes to submit proposals for amendment to the revision committee should send them in writing to the Clerk to the Synod so as to reach him **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 10th August 2012** (SO 53).*

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUNDED PENSIONS SCHEME (AMENDMENT) RULES 2012 (GS 1867)

Rules made under the Pensions Measure 1997

Dr Jonathan Spencer (ex officio) (Chair of the Church of England Pensions Board) to move:

- 509** 'That the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Amendment) Rules 2012 be approved.'

Notes:

1. *The Church of England Pensions Board has laid the above Rules (GS 1867) before the General Synod for approval pursuant to the 1997 Measure.*
2. *The Business Committee has determined in accordance with Standing Order 68(a) that the Rules shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 70(a).*

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2012 (GS 1868)

ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2012 (GS 1869)

Orders made under the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986

Notes:

1. *The Fees Advisory Commission has laid the above Orders (GS 1868 and GS 1869) before the General Synod for approval pursuant to the 1986 Measure.*
2. *The Business Committee has determined (as provided by the 1986 Measure) that the Orders do not need to be debated.*
3. *Any member who wishes to debate an Order under SO 69 must give notice in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 6th July 2012.***
4. *Amendments to the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment must do so in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 5th July 2012.***

SPECIAL AGENDA II – LITURGICAL BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL EUCHARISTIC PRAYERS (GS 1822B)

Article 7 Business

Final Approval

The Chair of the Liturgical Commission (The Bishop of Wakefield) to move:

600 'That the liturgical business entitled "Additional Eucharistic Prayers" be finally approved for a period from 1 September 2012 until further Resolution of the Synod.'

Note: *A majority in each House of not less than two-thirds of those present and voting is required (SO 35(d)(i)(3)).*

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS

MANIFESTATION OF FAITH IN PUBLIC LIFE

The Revd Stephen Trott (Peterborough) to move:

‘That this Synod express its conviction that it is the calling of Christians to order and govern our lives in accordance with the teaching of Holy Scripture, and to manifest our faith in public life as well as in private, giving expression to our beliefs in the written and spoken word, and in practical acts of service to the local community and to the nation.’

117 signatures as at July 2011

February 2011

Note: *Fr Trott’s motion was scheduled as contingency business for the February 2012 group of sessions and therefore not made available for signature at that group of sessions. Under SO 5(d), in considering the order of business for a group of sessions the Business Committee must give special consideration to items of business (including contingency business) not considered at the last preceding group of sessions.*

PALESTINE AND ISRAEL

Dr John Dinnen (Hereford) to move:

‘That this Synod affirm its support for:

- (a) the vital work of the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI), encouraging parishioners to volunteer for the programme and asking churches and synods to make use of the experience of returning participants;
- (b) mission and other aid agencies working amongst Palestinians in Gaza, the West Bank and elsewhere in the region;
- (c) Israelis and Palestinians in all organisations working for justice and peace in the area, such as the Parents Circle – Families Forum;
and
- (d) Palestinian Christians and organisations that work to ensure their continuing presence in the Holy Land.

155 signatures

July 2011

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCILS (POWERS) MEASURE 1956

The Revd Christopher Hobbs (London) to move:

‘That this Synod call on the Archbishops’ Council to bring forward legislation to amend the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 so as to permit a PCC which is a registered charity to acquire and hold any interest in land and any interest in personal property to be held on permanent trusts, without any requirement for the interest to be vested in the diocesan authority.’

136 signatures

February 2011

LIVING WAGE

Mr John Freeman (Chester) to move:

‘That this Synod, recognising that the widening gap between rich and poor harms all of society and that paying a “Living Wage” lifts people out of poverty:

- (a) affirm the Christian values inherent in the concept of the “Living Wage”; and
- (b) strongly encourage all Church of England institutions to pay at least the “Living Wage”.’

129 signatures

July 2011

PUBLIC DOCTRINE OF CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Mrs Andrea Minichiello Williams (Chichester) to move:

‘That this Synod affirm the public doctrine of Christian marriage, between a man and a woman, as set out in the Book of Common Prayer, as the only basis for engagement with public policy on marriage and family life.’

100 signatures

February 2012

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS

REGISTRATION OF CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

Mr John Ward (London) to move:

'That this Synod:

- (a) give its general consent, pursuant to regulation 2D of the Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Approved Premises) Regulations 2005, to any application made in respect of a church or chapel of the Church of England for approval as a place at which two people may register as civil partners of each other; and
- (b) require the Clerk to the Synod forthwith to publish evidence of this consent in writing.'

74 signatures

February 2012

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY AND HIGHER EDUCATION VALIDATION

Mr Keith Malcouronne (Guildford) to move:

'That this Synod, whilst welcoming the objective of a system of training for ministry which is more effective in terms of both costs and outcomes, request the House of Bishops and the Ministry Council to:

- (a) ensure the continuance of a mixed ecology of training for ministry and that any proposals for a new curriculum are drawn up to embrace a wide variety of approaches to theological education, ways of teaching and flexibility concerning content;
- (b) avoid the vulnerability which would flow from having a single provider by making future arrangements with more than one provider of Higher Education validation; and
- (c) bring forward a further report, for debate by this Synod, before the proposals set out in GS Misc 1008 are implemented.'

74 signatures

February 2012

SPECIAL AGENDA IV – DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

EPISCOPAL MINISTRY ACT OF SYNOD

to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

‘That the Episcopal Ministry Act of Synod 1993 be rescinded.’

March 2003

ORDINATION OF WOMEN TO THE EPISCOPATE

to move on behalf of the Rochester Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod

- (a) note that it was resolved in July 2005 that the “process for removing the legal obstacles to the ordination of women to the episcopate should now be set in train”;
- (b) express its wish for suitable pastoral provision to be made for all those, whether clergy or laity, who are unable in conscience to accept this development;
- (c) is particularly aware of the difficulties faced by clergy opposed in conscience to the ordination of women bishops but who currently work, and will continue to do so, in parishes where the Parochial Church Council would otherwise welcome the sacramental ministry of women bishops.’

October 2007

VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEES

Mr Ian Fletcher (Bradford) to move on behalf of the Bradford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod resolve that the Vacancy in See Committees Regulation 1993 (as amended in 2003, 2007 and 2008) be amended so as to ensure that Vacancy in See Committees have at least 21 members.’

April 2011

SPECIAL AGENDA IV – DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

NAME OF DIOCESES

to move on behalf of the Bradford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod call on the Archbishops’ Council to introduce legislation to enable dioceses of the Church of England to be named by reference either to a city or substantial town or to a geographical area.’

June 2011

[The Ripon & Leeds Diocesan Synod passed a motion in identical terms.]

AMENDMENT TO CANON B 12 AND REGULATIONS

The Bishop of Southwell and Nottingham to move on behalf of the Southwell and Nottingham Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod request that Canon B 12 and the Regulations taking effect under it be amended so that:

- (a) the Holy Sacrament may be distributed by any authorized regular communicant (including children admitted to the Holy Communion under the Admission of Baptised Children to Holy Communion Regulations 2006);
- (b) if the diocesan bishop agrees, the necessary authorization may be given in relation to any parish by the incumbent, priest in charge or (during a vacancy) rural dean; and
- (c) no person shall be authorized to distribute the Holy Sacrament without the support of the parochial church council of the parish or, where the Holy Communion is celebrated in a school and the person concerned is a child, of the head teacher of the school.’

December 2011

ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

to move on behalf of the Chelmsford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

- (a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason;

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- (b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and
- (c) call on the House of Bishops:
 - (i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England's involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks (especially the continuing Indaba process);
 - (ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and
 - (iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference. '

March 2012

[The Bath and Wells, Lincoln, London, Manchester, Oxford and St Albans Diocesan Synods passed a motion in identical terms.]

ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

'That this Synod:

- (a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason, all as set out in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the draft Anglican Communion Covenant;
- (b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and
- (c) call on the House of Bishops:
 - (i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England's involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks (especially the continuing Indaba process);

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- (ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and
- (iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference.'

March 2012

ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

to move on behalf of the Guildford Diocesan Synod:

'That this Synod:

- (a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason;
- (b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and
- (c) call on the House of Bishops:
 - (i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England's involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks;
 - (ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and
 - (iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference. '

April 2012