

**GENERAL SYNOD  
FEBRUARY 2017 GROUP OF SESSIONS**

**Timetable**

<b>Monday 13 February</b>		
<i>House of Clergy will meet from 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.</i>		
<b>3.00 pm – 7.00 pm</b>		
3.00 pm	Worship	(¼ hr)
3.15 pm	Introductions and welcomes	(10 mins)
3.25 pm	Report by the Business Committee	(25 mins)
3.50 pm	Motion on General Synod dates	(10 mins)
4.00 pm	Debate on a Motion on the Anniversary of the Reformation	(1 hr)
5.00 pm	Presidential Address by the Archbishop of Canterbury	(30 mins)
*5.30 pm	Questions	(1 ½ hr)
7.00-7.15 pm	Evening worship	(15 mins)
<b>Tuesday 14 February</b>		
<b>9.15 am – 1.00 pm</b>		
9.15 am	Holy Communion	(1 ¼ hr)
10.30 am	Farewell to the First Church Estates Commissioner and Response	(25 mins)
10.55 am	Private Members Motion on “Preliminaries to Marriage”	(1 hr)
	<i>Legislative Business</i>	
*12.00 pm	Mission and Pastoral etc. (Amendment) Measure – Final Drafting / Final Approval	(35 mins)
12.35 pm	Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure – Final Drafting / Final Approval	(20 mins)
<b>2.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.</b>		
	<i>Legislative Business (ctd...)</i>	
2.30 pm	Legislative Reform Measure – Revision Stage	(1 ½ hr)
4.00 pm	Statute Law (Repeals) Measure – Revision and Final Drafting / Final Approval	(30 mins)
4.30 pm	Pensions (Pre-consolidation) Measure – Revision and Final Drafting / Final Approval	(25 mins)
4.55 pm	Phase II Simplification Measure – First Consideration	(1 hr)
5.55 pm	Draft Amending Canon No.38 – First Consideration	(30 mins)
6.25 pm	Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Amendment Regulations 2017	(30 mins)

7.00 – 7.15 pm	Evening worship	(15 mins)
<b>Wednesday 15 February</b>		
<b>9.15 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.</b>		
9.15 am	Worship	
9.30 am	Motion from the Bishop of Leicester for a proposal for a Petition to Her Majesty in Council for the creation of a suffragan see for the Diocese of Leicester	(30 mins)
10.00 am	Diocesan Synod Motion on “Fixed Odds Betting Terminals”	(1 ¼ hr)
	<i>(Legislative Business ctd...)</i>	
11.15 am	The Church of England Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 2017	(30 mins)
*12.00 pm	Introduction to the work of the Bishops’ Reflection Group on Sexuality	(30 mins)
<b>2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.</b>		
2.00 – 4.30 pm	<i>Group work</i>	(2 ½ hrs)
<b>5.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.</b>		
5.30 pm	Take Note Debate on a Report from the House of Bishops	(1 ½ hr)
7.00 – 7.15 pm	Evening worship	(15 mins)
<b>Thursday 16 February</b>		
<b>9.15 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.</b>		
9.15 am	Worship	
9.30 am	Farewell to the Bishop of London	(15 mins)
9.45 am	Speech by The Most Revd Dr Josiah Atkins Idowu-Fearon – Secretary General of the Anglican Communion	(30 mins)
10.15 am	“Setting God’s People Free”: Debate on a Motion from the Archbishops’ Council.	(2 hrs)
	<i>Legislative Business (ctd...)</i>	
12.15 pm	The Safeguarding (Clergy Risk Assessment) Regulations 2016	(45 mins)
<b>2.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.</b>		
	<i>Legislative Business (ctd...)</i>	
2.30 pm	Amending Canon No. 36 - Canons B 8 – Revision Stage	(50 mins)

3.20 pm	Amending Canon No. 37 – Canon B 38 – Revision Stage	(50 mins)
*5.00 pm	Prorogation	
<b><i>Deemed Business</i></b>		
	Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2016	(30 mins)
<b><i>Contingency Business</i></b>		
	Private Members' Motion on "Mission and Administration"	