

**GENERAL SYNOD
FEBRUARY 2017 GROUP OF SESSIONS**

Timetable

Monday 13 February		
3.00 pm – 7.00 pm		
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 February 2018 dates	(10 mins)
4.00 pm	Motion on General Synod dates 2019 - 2020	(15 mins)
4.15 pm	Debate on a Motion on the Anniversary of the Reformation	(45 mins)
*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)
Tuesday 14 February		
9.15 am – 1.00 pm		
9.15 am	Holy Communion	(1 ¼ hr)
	<i>Farewell</i>	
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 [Simplification]	(35 mins)
12.35 pm	Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure – Final Drafting / Final Approval	(20 mins)
2.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.		
	<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)
Wednesday 15 February		
9.15 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.		
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	Appointment to the Archbishops' Council	(15 mins)
10.15 am	Diocesan Synod Motion on "Fixed Odds Betting Terminals"	(1 ¼ hr)
	<i>(Legislative Business ctd. ...)</i>	
11.30 am	The Church of England Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 2017	(30 mins)
*12.00 pm	Presentation from the Chair of the Bishops' Reflection Group on Sexuality	(30 mins)
2.00 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.		
2.00 – 4.30 pm	<i>Group work</i>	(2 ½ hrs)
5.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.		
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)
Thursday 16 February		
9.15 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.		
9.15 am	Worship	
	<i>Farewell</i>	
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 (Presentation under S.O. 107.)	(30 mins)
10.15 am	"Setting God's People Free": Debate on a Motion from the Archbishops' Council on the Report of the Lay Leadership Task Group	(2 hrs)
	<i>Legislative Business (ctd...)</i>	

12.15 pm	The Safeguarding (Clergy Risk Assessment) Regulations 2016	(45 mins)
2.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.		
	<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	
<i>Deemed Business</i>		
	Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2016	(30 mins)
<i>Contingency Business</i>		
	Private Members' Motion on "Mission and Administration"	