

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation of the Pro-Prolocutor of the Convocation of Canterbury

Presentation of the Deputy Prolocutors of the Convocation of York

WELCOME TO ANGLICAN AND ECUMENICAL GUESTS

Landesbischof Ralf Meister (Evangelische Kirche in Deutschland), Co-chair of the Meissen Commission, addressed the Synod.

THE EU REFERENDUM

The Synod passed a resolution in the following form, on a motion moved by the Archbishop of Canterbury and incorporating an amendment moved by Mrs Enid Barron (London) (the text of which is shown in italics). An amendment moved by Revd Paul Hutchinson (York) was lost.

That this Synod, recognising the result of the recent referendum on the United Kingdom's membership of the European Union,

(a) welcomes the Archbishops' call for all to unite in the common task of building a generous and forward looking country, contributing to human flourishing around the world, and encourage all members of the Church of England to play their part actively in partnership with everyone in Civil Society in pursuit of this task;

(b) commend the work already carried out by the Church in bringing communities together and recommend that as a minimum every bishop identify a champion in their diocese to assess what more the Church could do and to make recommendations for creating stronger and more constructive links between local communities as a basis for achieving this common task.

PRESENTATION BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK

The Archbishop of York gave a presentation on his pilgrimage of prayer, witness and blessing.

REPORT FROM THE ANGLICAN CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL IN LUSAKA, APRIL 2016

The Bishop of Chelmsford and Margaret Swinson gave a presentation on the 16th meeting of the Anglican Consultative Council.

REPORT FROM THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 2024)

The Synod took note of this Report.

CHURCH COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL REPORT (GS 2025)

The Synod took note of this Report.

QUESTIONS

Answers including supplementaries were given to questions 1-50.

These brief summaries are offered primarily for reference while the General Synod is in session. The formal record of the Synod's business at each sitting during the July 2016 group of sessions can be found in the 'Business Done' section (available online once published after the Synod concludes its business), which offers a fuller picture of the Synod's business.

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